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IN THE NEWS

■ **Al Gore** apologized after his campaign 'spokespeople' told Chad Swiatecki he would not be allowed to follow the Vice President's motor pool, or ride in the press van, during his visit to Michigan. Swiatecki, a disabled reporter for the Flint Journal in Michigan, was elated when he was assigned to cover Gore's visit, that is until he was ousted on the campaign trail.

■ **The U.S. Postal Service**, and their long-time competition, FedEx, are discussing a possible 'alliance'. The plan calls for the Postal Service to handle residential pick-ups and deliveries for FedEx. In return FedEx would handle parcel packages for the Postal Service.

■ An angry mob in Indonesia attacked a U.N building in West Timor on Wednesday. According to authorities the mob was angry over the death of a notorious militia leader, and killed at least three foreign aid workers. Four U.N. helicopters airlifted 54 people away from the violence

■ **President Clinton** said yesterday, he fears high prices for oil could lead the U.S economy into recession. President Clinton met with Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Abdullah to aid in lowering the prices.

■ **Raleigh Goldberg**, an 8-year-old girl from Wellesley, Mass died Wednesday from sever burns in Galveston, Texas. Goldberg, was burned when she and her mother were caught in a volcanic eruption in Costa Rica last month. The Arenal volcano, a popular tourist attraction in Costa Rica, began spewing hot ash, injuring the group The girls mother, Caryanne Ruffin, 49, was listed in fair condition Thursday

■ **Don D. Astorga**,31, of Las Vegas was convicted of smuggling a dozen lizards into the United States in his underwear. Astorga was arrested at the airport in June, after police noticed unusual bulges around his groin. The assortment of lizards included a Nile monitor lizard, and several geckos, all native to Southeast Asia and Africa.

■ **Tim McGraw**, and wife Faith Hill performed before a near sell-out crowd of 13,000 Wednesday at Knoxville's Thompson-Bowling arena. Both artists performed 13 songs apiece, and combined talents for an encore presentation.

■ **Yahoo!** signed a deal on Wednesday to compensate musicians for songs it stream over the Internet, during it's online broadcasts. The deal brings access to more than 525 national, cable, local, and Internet-only radio stations. Yahoo! said it signed the agreement to avoid any lenghty arbitration with artists.

WEATHER

Collegedale: Monday will be warm and sticky with periods of sun. The high will be 87 and the low temperature for the evening will reach 69.

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Huge freshman increase keys enrollment boost

Southern enrollment increases for past six years

by Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Southern's enrollment increased by a couple hundred students, buoyed by the largest freshman class in 20 years.

Southern is an "open enrollment-rolling admissions" school, meaning as long as students qualify by the minimum standards, they are welcome to give their application.

Approximately 73 percent of students accepted at Southern actually enroll, according to statistics

But this year an estimated 80 percent enrolled, said Victor Czerkasij, director of admissions

And due to the shortage in housing, Southern was feeling the squeeze of additional students Southern stopped accepting international applications in mid-July.

But why didn't Southern just stop accepting applications altogether?

"We can never guarantee who will show up at registration," Czerkasij said, pointing out that applications do not mean absolute enrollment. Southern would run the risk of losing enrollment if they turned down applications in July, only to find in August, other accepted applicants changed their mind about attending Southern "Besides," Czerkasij added, "I am not very good at doing the opposite of recruitment."

According to preliminary statistics at the close of registration on August 28, 1,813 students had finished their registration at Southern, up 223 from the same statistic last year. And 1,724 students are enrolled full-time, in comparison to last year's figure of 1,499. Official statistics are due out next week.

Southern is the only Seventh-day Adventist institution in North America to have six straight years of uninterrupted growth.

"God is blessing us," Czerkasij answered when asked why Southern's enrollment has increased rapidly.

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Area colleges block non-support Web sites

By Cady Van Dolson
EDITOR IN CHIEF

When you type www.whitehouse.com on your Internet browser's navigation bar, you may be surprised where you end up. Instead of reaching the Web site of the White House, as may be expected, visitors will find a pornography site.

Southern will begin blocking Web sites this year after an attempt last fall was discontinued when it slowed the server down.

Gordon Bietz, Southern's president, asked Henry Hicks, executive director of information systems, to research other blocking software. Hicks found one that does not slow the system down, which he plans to use.

""Our main goal is to block pornographic sites,"" Hicks said. "People can accidentally go to those sites, like when you go to www.whitehouse.com."

However, Southern will not block sites that take up bandwidth. They have a new system that limits the amount of bandwidth students can use each day

"If they use up their allotment, their Internet connection shuts off until midnight," Hicks said. "We're letting the students use the new technologies but not ruining our bandwidth"

After checking the logs from last year, only about six people have the possibility of being kicked off the Internet, and the school will regain one-fourth to one-half of its bandwidth.

Southern is not the only college in the area that is blocking Web sites.

Lee University in Cleveland, Tenn. Has blocked both pornography sites and those that use a lot of bandwidth, such as Napster, for the past three years.

"It's resource allocation," said John Dixon, director of information systems at Lee. "If you only have so much space to get data back and forth, it makes sense for one to reserve

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Kyle Baldwin/Staff Photographer

How low can you go?

A Southern student bends his body to clear the bar during the limbo at the Student Association's Welcome Back Party last Saturday night. The party had a luau theme with activities such as sumo wrestling, a hula demonstration, a photo booth and a slip n slide.

Housing squeezed with extra students

Students placed in off-campus homes

by Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

There are no cots in the office of Victor Czerkasij, director of admissions.

That was just one of the suggestions Czerkasij heard when a higher than expected increase in enrollment had deans scrambling to find room for all the additional students attending Southern.

"We are packed," said Dennis Negrón, the assistant dean of men, who is in charge of housing. The capacity of Talge Hall is 531 male students, and of last Wednesday, Talge held 528 students. Thatcher Hall and Thatcher South are packed with 695 female residents

The increased enrollment forced some students out of the dormitories and into village housing This comes after an announcement last year requiring students 24-years-old and older to live off-campus But 80 male students and 49 female students still eligible by age to live in the dorm are currently living in university and off-campus housing, according to Negrón and Beverly Erickson, the assistant dean of women in charge of housing Fifteen new students that would live in the dorm are temporarily living with faculty members

"It's a hectic mess that the deans are dealing with relatively well," said Dan Kuntz, senior biology major Kuntz moved into Talge Hall a week before school started, only to have to move again three days later, this time, to Thatcher South.

"No one in administration is unaware of the frustration," Czerkasij said "We are looking for answers to satisfy both the school and the students."

But what is Southern doing about this "no vacancy" problem?

The options include building additional housing, tightening academic standards, and lowering the age of students allowed to live off-campus

But Southern strongly supports a residence hall program and Czerkasij does not favor raising the academic bar.

"I never want Southern to be so exclusive that we forget our service to Seventh-day Adventist young people," Czerkasij said

Options will be considered in October when the university's Board of Trustees meets. The board has ultimate control over future decisions and they will present a Strategic Master Plan

A few parents and students were irate about the chaotic shuffling and housing situation, but for the most part, the situation has been met with patience and cooperation, Negrón said.

Jon Colburn, a junior biology major, stayed with friends in the dorm his first few nights at Southern before he was able to move into a house off campus.

"I wanted to get [off-campus] before I overstayed my visit," Colburn said.

Talge has resident assistants (RA) at the off-campus houses to oversee students

The cramming has required sacrifice The resident assistants in both dorms are living with roommates. Five rooms in Talge accepted an option to house an extra student for a reduction in

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Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Solange Wensell, Andi Standford and Jen Murdoch watch a movie in the off campus house they were placed in.

Collision leaves Baylor U. student dead, Texas A&M student injured

BY BRADY CREEL
THE BATTALION

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE STATION, Texas – According to a release issued by the College Station Police Department (CSPD), Jonathan Hatfield, a Baylor University freshman, and Heath Davis, a Texas A&M University freshman electrical engineering major, were riding a motorcycle southbound on Marion Pugh Drive when it collided with a Ford Explorer driven by Scott Barrow, a sophomore at Texas A&M

The release said Barrow was turning out of the driveway of Treehouse 2 Apartments when his Explorer and the motorcycle collided

Davis and Hatfield were transported to College Station Medical Center Hatfield was later pronounced dead by a doctor.

Davis is currently in stable condition, but he remains in intensive care He has undergone several surgeries, said Ann Goodman, associate director of student life

"The [rehabilitation] process is going to be pretty lengthy," Goodman said

The news release said Barrow fled from the scene on foot after the accident, but later agreed to meet with CSPD officers.

Barrow was not available for comment.

One of the first vehicles to arrive on the scene was a car on duty for Caring Aggies "R" Protecting Over Our Lives (CARPOOL) The CARPOOL car had picked up a passenger at Melrose Apartments and was driving down Marion Pugh when the drivers saw the accident, said Brooke Mauritzen, one of the two CARPOOL volunteers and a junior biology major.

"It was kind of like a big dream," Mauritzen said

Mauritzen said they arrived between 30 seconds and a minute after the accident occurred.

Mauritzen said her partner, Patrick Blocker, a senior management information systems major, immediately told her to dial 911. All CARPOOL cars are equipped with cellular telephones.

She said emergency and rescue teams arrived approximately two minutes later.

Mauritzen said Barrow was still there when she arrived.

"He just looked frantic – like he didn't know what to do," Mauritzen said.

Mauritzen said the victims seemed to have suffered head trauma.

"I didn't see helmets, but that did not mean they were not there," she said.

Mauritzen, Blocker and their passenger – who was not intoxicated -- stayed on the scene to help.

Hatfield and Davis were both from Kingwood, Texas

Due to the Labor Day holiday, CSPD could not provide any additional information. Goodman said an investigation is in progress

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

A Flexride van waits to pick up passengers at Wal-Mart on Gunbarrel Road.

New public transportation services Collegedale

by Jolene Harrell
EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

This year students without cars may not have to bum rides from friends to go shopping or get to the doctor's office. Flexride is the name of a new public transportation system that services the Collegedale, Ooltewah, Apison, Birchwood, Meadowview, and Snowhill areas.

Flexride costs a flat rate of 50 cents each way, and for an extra $1.50 will connect to a downtown Chattanooga route The program offers two routes, with the east route servicing the Highway 58 and Collegedale areas, and the west route servicing all other areas of coverage.

Flexride transportation is available from 6 30 a.m to 6 00 p.m Monday through Friday. The 15-passenger van used for the service is also capable of carrying two wheelchairs

The system is funded by the Tennessee Department of Transportation, and is managed by Hamilton County Rural Transportation.

The new transportation system works on a day-to-day basis, which is an advantage over all other rural transportation programs that required 24-hour notice, said Mike Moon, dispatcher for Hamilton County transportation systems In fact, the need for short-term transportation was the main reason the system was developed, Moon said.

The new transportation system was begun more than a year ago, but only served the Soddy-Daisy area. Moon said Flexride was expanded to cover the new areas at the beginning of June, he said.

Flexride will be evaluated in two years to determine whether or not the program will be continued, Moon said. The deciding factor will be the actual usage of the system, he said

Currently Flexride is seeing quite a bit of use, Moon said Flexride received 525 bookings in the month of July, with the majority of them being on the east route to the Highway 58 area, he said

If Flexride continues to see similar booking numbers, students may have a permanent alternative to bumming rides. To book Flexride, call 209-6850

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Enrollment

Another factor in the enrollment increase is Southern's strong recruiting, said Joni Zier, director of records and advisement. Recruiters could previously only travel in the Southern Union, but North American Division recruiters voted this year to allow open recruitment.

And Southern took advantage SDA academies across the nation held careers fairs and invited colleges to visit. Southern recruiters attended every career fair held last year - an estimated 100 career fairs. Due to their strong recruitment, 54 percent of Southern's freshman class comes from outside the Southern Union. That figure includes an increase of 38 students from the Lake Union Conference, the conference that is home to Andrews University.

According to the Department of Education, 15.1 million students are attending college this year, the highest figure in American history.

Local colleges have tight housing and enrollment increases also. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) has reached its housing capacity of 1550, while Tennessee Temple University and Bryan College both estimate they will have enrollment increases of 10 percent, - according to the Chattanooga Times and Chattanooga Free Press.

Internet

that space for pertinent information."

Students who reach a blocked site will see a seal with a watermark. A message will appear saying that the site has been blocked by the university.

Exceptions will be made if faculty members need to use a blocked site for research.

"Obviously we are very cooperative with the faculty," Mr. Dixon said. "If we have something blocked that they need, we will make arrangements to get them there."

Christian colleges are not the only ones blocking questionable Web sites. Some public colleges are beginning to as well.

NorthWestern Technical Institute in Georgia has not blocked sites before, but they are beginning to look into it.

"We've had a lot of pornography and hack. We've never had to [block] before, but we've had problems with the computers in the lab and such," said Ted Glenn, director of information technology.

This item originally appeared in the Chattanooga Times-Chattanooga Free Press on Sunday, July 9, 2000

Housing

rent. Negrón and Jeff Erhard, assistant dean of men, both moved out of their offices to free up rooms to house students, if needed.

But despite the squeeze, Southern is excited about the enrollment increase and their potential for the future.

"But now that we have an increase, we can't sit on our laurels," Czerkasij said. "We need to love and educate the students - they are our best recruiters."

"But," Czerkasij asked jokingly, "can we house them?"

Portrait of a criminal

By Gary Gentile
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 1 — Was the man accused of sabotaging a company's stock by issuing a phony press release a clever cyber criminal or an amateur investor who hatched a clumsy plan to cover his losses?

Federal documents filed in the case of 23-year-old Mark Jakob reveal the El Segundo man authorities say caused Emulex's stock to plunge 62 percent went to great lengths to cover his tracks, going so far as to register at one Las Vegas hotel and make stock trades from another the day he allegedly perpetrated the hoax.

But they also paint a picture of a typical twentysomething who listed snowboarding and dancing as his hobbies and lived by the motto "LET IT RIDE!!!!"

The Accused

Jakob, charged Thursday with securities fraud and wire fraud, faces a maximum of 15 years in prison if convicted. He was jailed in lieu of $100,000 bail.

He is accused of issuing a phony press release last Friday stating that the chief executive of Emulex, a Costa Mesa maker of fiber-optic equipment, had quit and the company was restating its quarterly earnings from a profit to a loss.

The company's stock plunged after some financial news services, including Bloomberg and Dow Jones Newswires, ran stories based on the bogus release.

Authorities say Jakob sent the release because he faced the prospects of a huge loss from short selling Emulex stock. A short sale involves selling borrowed shares of a stock that the trader does not own in anticipation that the price will decline.

Emulex is a fast-growing, high-tech company that has seen its stock climb from about $36 per share 12 months ago to more than $200 a share earlier this year. The volatile nature of the stock tends to attract Internet and day traders, said Emulex President Paul Folino, who called the case "an intentional act of electronic terrorism."

An Internal Operation

The bogus release was issued through Internet Wire, a 6-year-old online distributor of press releases where Jakob had worked until last month. He left the company "on good terms" a week before the crime, authorities charge.

A 41-page complaint filed by the U.S. attorney's office claims Jakob made his short sales on Aug. 17 and 18, using a computer at Internet Wire to execute some of them. Instead of the stock price declining, as Jakob had hoped, it began to rise, leaving him with the probability of having to repurchase the shares at a loss of approximately $97,000, according to a lawsuit filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Instead, authorities say, Jakob made more than $241,000 from Emulex trades after the phony press release was delivered.

On Aug. 23, authorities say, Jakob registered at the Luxor hotel in Las Vegas. The next day, they say, he opened an e-mail account using a computer at El Camino College in Torrance, Calif., where he had been a business major. Jakob attended classes during the summer session, but was not a student at the time of his alleged hoax, the college said.

Profiling from the Press Release

Authorities say he posed as "Ross Porter" from the fictitious public relations firm "Porter and Smith PR" and sent the news release using language that led the skeleton staff of Internet Wire employees on the overnight shift to believe the document had been verified for accuracy and approved for release. He allegedly sent an e-mail with the news release attached from a computer at the college the evening of Aug. 24.

The next morning, the release was distributed and within minutes, Emulex's stock plunged. Jakob then allegedly bought back the 3,000 shares of stock he had sold short, using a computer at the business center at Las Vegas' Mandalay Bay hotel.

But he apparently was not satisfied with merely covering his losses. Federal authorities say that within three minutes of his first trade Jakob bought 3,500 Emulex shares at their depressed price. He sold those a few days later at a profit of $186,814.

Minutes after the stock crash, Nasdaq halted trading after learning that the press release was false. Trading resumed that same day and the stock made up most of its losses.

In a strange twist, Jakob phoned a former colleague at Internet Wire about 2 p.m. or 3 p.m. last Friday, inquiring innocently about the Emulex matter, according to the federal court filing. When the colleague said he was too busy to talk, Jakob asked to speak with his former supervisor. But by the time the supervisor came to the phone, Jakob had hung up.

Tracking Him Down

In the end, it took only a few hours for investigators from the Securities and Exchange Commission and the FBI to trace the bogus press release.

At a news conference Thursday, investigators said they traced the e-mail from "Ross Porter" back to El Camino College. Investigators interviewed employees at Internet Wire and discovered that Jakob, who often talked about trading stocks, had been a student there.

Investigators then reviewed Jakob's trading records, which were obtained by the SEC from Datek, an online stock brokerage.

Among the evidence they brought to court was a profile Jakob wrote when he obtained an account at America Online. He listed his hobbies as "Las Vegas, snowboarding, beach, dancing, Playing the 'Market,' the stock market that is. "

Officials said they will continue their investigation to determine if anyone else was involved in the hoax. Already one investor has sued Internet Wire, claiming he lost thousands of dollars as a result of the bogus press release.

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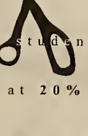

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College enrollments to soar nationwide

(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. -- A large increase in college enrollment is expected throughout the next decade, according to a report issued last week by the National Center for Education Statistics.

And Michigan State University officials aren't surprised.

"We've seen a record number of freshman applications for the fall," said James Cotter, associate director of admissions at MSU. "We're experiencing, as with most other colleges, a greater degree of interest in higher education that results from a demographic trend in Michigan.

The report, "Projections of Education Statistics to 2010," projects a record 15.1 million students attend college or graduate school this fall. Because of a growth in the number of traditional college-age students, that figure is estimated to grow to 17.5 million by 2010.

Cotter said he expects the trend in Michigan to continue through 2007-08, although he said the numbers might be lower than other states because of demographics and population.

Public institutions such as MSU should see an increase in enrollment of about 15 percent by 2010 -- 1 percent less than private colleges, the report estimates.

The report also says women will continue to be the majority demographic on college campuses. It's projected that women will make up 58 percent of the student body in 2010-- compared with 57 percent today.

"I think women are succeeding more because they're more motivated and more encouraged," said Samreet Sandhu, adviser to MSU's Women in Business Students Association. "There are more resources out there."

But will that continue? With increased enrollment comes increased funds to higher education institutes. And with that comes the possibility that more financial aid will be needed, officials say.

The report estimates expenditures on higher education will increase by 29 percent in 10 years -- and that figure factors in inflation. An estimated $235.4 billion will be spent this year at colleges and universities. But some $302.6 billion could be spent in 2010.

MSU financial aid officials say their university will be able to keep pace with those expected figures.

"I've been here 23 years," said Rick Shipman, financial aid director. "And every year we give out more than the year before. The amount of financial aid we give out has been steadily increasing."

Running out of financial aid for students is highly unlikely, Shipman said. He said federal grant money, such as Pell Grants, is budgeted based on enrollment figures. Federal monies also make up for funds the university has to dole out, he said.

But the increased enrollment could have a definitive impact on who is admitted to MSU, Cotter said. While there are no immediate plans to put a cap on enrollment, academic standards could be increased, he said.

"You'll continue to see the university be as accessible to students as possible," Cotter said.

Some area high school guidance counselors are also anticipating rapidly rising college enrollment figures. Lee Howell, a counselor at Haslett High School, 5450 Marsh Road, expects colleges and universities will be willing to work closely with interested high school students.

"The numbers are increasing and we're encouraging students to apply early," he said.

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Sports

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Super Bowl picks: Tampa Bay and Tennessee

2000-2001 NFL preview

By Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A new NFL season has dawned upon us as we have returned to school. And while we worked or played the summer away, many players switched teams via free agency

Several teams made key acquisitions during the offseason that could propel them into the playoffs and beyond.

No team in the NFL gained a couple hundred new players as Southern did, but the Washington Redskins were the most active in pursuit of free agents The Redskins signed Bruce Smith, Mark Carrier, Jeff George and Deion Sanders in an attempt to buy their way to Super Bowl XXXV.

Other key acquisitions include

James Stewart (Detroit) - Stewart may not be Barry Sanders, but he's a solid ball-carrier that will take the pressure off young quarterback Charlie Batch. Keyshawn Johnson (Tampa Bay) - Possibly the biggest move of the offseason, Tampa Bay traded a pair of first-round draft picks to acquire the services of one of the league's top young receivers and provide some punch to their dismal passing attack. Jeff Blake (New Orleans) - The questions still remain, but if Blake can click with receivers Jon Horn and Jake Reed, the Saints could have a dangerous offense. Peter Warrick (Cincinnati) - The Bengals drafted the former Seminole who is dangerous in the open field. Warrick and QB Akili Smith could be a strong, young combination soon. Reggie White and Eric Swann (Carolina) - These defensive lineman will make the Panther line even stronger and teamed with Sean Gilbert and Chick Smith up front, they will make the lives of some quarterbacks miserable

Injuries took an effect on some NFL teams as the Arizona Cardinals lost starting receiver Rob Moore for the season, while Carolina lost receiver Patrick Jeffers and kicker John Kasay for the duration And already one week into the season, the Dallas Cowboys have lost receiver Joey Galloway for the season, and Troy Aikman is trying to find himself after a concussion last Sunday

But despite the injuries and new players, everyone remains focused on the Super Bowl to be played in Tampa Bay this year

And my pick for the Super Bowl? I like a matchup between the Tennessee Titans and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers Both teams have strong defenses, added a good receiver during the offseason, and were in the top tier of teams last season. Keyshawn Johnson was just the addition the Buccaneers needed, while the Titans strengthen their depth and picked up another target in wide receiver Carl Pickens.

Here is the inside scoop on how the rest of the NFL will perform in the 2000-01 season.

AFC WEST

Denver (11-5) - Terrell Davis has returned from injury, making the Broncos' backfield a deadly combination with Davis and Olandis Gary Brian Griese will improve, as will the Broncos with their last-place schedule

Oakland (10-6) Rich Gannon will thrive with receivers Tim Brown and Rickey Dudley, plus new addition Andre Rison Rookie kicker Sebastian Janikowski will be a factor, as the Raiders missed 11 field goals last year - losing four games by three points or less.

San Diego (8-8) - A quiet team of "nobodies," the Chargers have a strong defense that won't be let down by the offense if Ryan Leaf keeps his mouth shut and receiver Curtis Conway stays healthy.

Seattle (7-9) - Seattle only won the division last year because Kansas City didn't want it either Quarterback Jon Kitna may miss Galloway, but receivers Sean Dawkins and Derrick Mayes are edequate Seattle is rebuilding with youth and there are too many questions on defense and at quarterback

Kansas City (6-10) - Elvis Orbac leads a very conservative Chief offense, which features a fine tight end in Tony Gonzalez. Kansas City has yet to find a consistent running back in an attack that features the run The defense will miss late linebacker Derrick Thomas - God rest his soul

AFC CENTRAL

Tennessee (12-4) - The Titans may have been a surprise but showed they deserved to be in the Super Bowl The Titans added depth through the draft and snagged Pickens in free agency, And Steve McNair still has powerful running back Eddie George behind him With their appetite whetted, Tennessee will be difficult to upset.

Jacksonville (10-6) - Injuries are key here with tackle Leon Searcy and safety Carnell Lake already injured long-term The Jaguars have no adequate backups at running back or quarterback, so the health of Fred Taylor and Mark Brunell will be important - and Taylor is already injured Hardy Nickerson is an upgrade at linebacker

Baltimore (9-7) - A young defense led by linebackers Peter Boulware and Ray Lewis should stuff opposing offenses. Snagging tight ends Ben Coates and Shannon Sharpe makes an awesome tandem, but Tony Banks is not the answer at quarterback

Cincinnati (6-10) - Akili Smith leads a very young offense featuring Corey Dillon and rookie Peter Warrick The linebackers are strong, but they need a stronger pass rush. The Bengals are heading the right direction, but will coach Bruce Coslet be around next year?

Pittsburgh (6-10) - Each season coach Bill Cowher is given less to work with. Journeyman Kent Graham will start at quarterback instead of Kordell Stewart. Jerome Bettis has struggled the past two seasons, the wide receivers are inexperienced and the offensive line has too many holes.

Cleveland (4-12) - Another year provides more experience for the expansion Browns Tim Couch and Courtney Brown are in place as cornerstones, but this team just needs time to develop their youth

AFC EAST

Indianapolis (12-4) - The Colts' trio of Peyton Manning, Edgerrin James and Marvin Harrison is the best in the league. There are questions in the secondary, but the Colts offense should allow them to gallop away with the division

Buffalo (7-9) - The Bills are much younger after cutting many veterans such as Thurman Thomas and Bruce Smith Rob Johnson is now the quarterback. But the Buffalo youth won't be able to pull off a playoff spot.

N Y Jets (7-9) - Losing Keyshawn Johnson from their receiving corps will hurt more than the two first-round draft picks will help Wayne Chrebet is a good receiver and Curtis Martin is strong in the backfield, but neither of them is Keyshawn Testaverde needs to stay healthy

Miami (6-10) - Dan Marino is gone And Jay Fiedler is not the current answer to replace the great Marino The Dolphins will struggle running the ball, as they have no proven running back The Miami defense will have to keep this team in most games

New England (5-11) - Bledsoe needs to ignore his critics and stick with the tools that make his one of the league's best. The Patriots can't find an answer at running back, so Bledsoe will have to be more efficient with receivers Terry Glenn and Troy Brown, but now Ben Coates is gone The New England defense should thrive under coach Bill Belichick.

NFC WEST

St. Louis (13-3) - Wishing does not make the Rams a fluke Kurt Warner has too many weapons in Marshall Faulk, Issac Bruce - and of course, Dean Magers' twin brother - Az-Zahir Hakim The defense is recovering from a couple injuries on the front line but should be solid

Carolina (9-7) - Steve Beuerlein made it to the Pro Bowl, showing he can still play at 35 Natrone Means was added to help the running game Jeffers will be missed at receiver; Muhsin Muhammad and Wesley Walls will have to step up The defensive line has improved, but the remainder of the defense needs help

Atlanta (7-9) - The great news for Atlanta is that running back Jamal Anderson has returned and his health will be linked to the Falcons' success. Chris Chandler is solid at quarterback, but his mobility is like a ceramic The Falcons defensive line has holes to fill

New Orleans (6-10) - While there are doubts about Jeff Blake catching on to the West Coast offense, the Saints' strength is in the trenches William Roaf leads the offensive line, while the defensive line has improved through free agency and the draft

San Francisco (3-13) - The Niners are finally rebuilding. Terrell Owens and J.J Stokes lead a strong receiving corps, but young quarterback Jeff Garcia will struggle. The defense needs to improve quickly - it ranked last against the pass last year

NFC CENTRAL

Tampa Bay (12-4) - The defense, led by Warren Sapp and Derrick Brooks, is the league's best. Keyshawn Johnson gives the Buccaneers a consistent threat at receiver, but they need Shaun King to continue to show the poise and strength he demonstrated at quarterback last year.

Detroit (11-5) - Charlie Batch needs to stay healthy, as there is no proven backup Batch has a nice arsenal in receivers Herman Moore, Johnnie Morton and Germane Crowell. Resigning defensive end Robert Porcher was key

Green Bay (8-8) - Brett Favre had a terrible season last year, but expect him to bounce back. Levens needs to stay healthy at running back. The starting defense needs lots of help, as they did not have a sack or turnover in preseason

Chicago (7-9) - Young quarterback Cade McNown has weapons in Marcus Robinson and Bobby Engram. But Curtis Enis can't stay healthy at running back The Bears defense is good, and they are heading the right direction under head coach Dick Jauron, but they will have to wait until next season.

Minnesota (6-10) - Quarterback Daunte Culpepper might be decent enough to win games after Minnesota dumped Randall Cunningham and Jeff George The weapons on offense - Randy Moss, Cris Carter and Robert Smith - are present But the defense is awful and the schedule is brutal

NFC EAST

Washington (12-4) - Forget chemistry for now The Redskins' offense is strong with Michael Westbrook and Stephen Davis, whether starter Brad Johnson or Jeff George is under center And the defense should be improved, but it won't be enough to get to the Super Bowl

Philadelphia (9-7) - Duce Staley is probably the best unknown running back in the league. The mobile Donovan McNabb is learning quickly at quarterback, while improvements were made to the offensive and defensive lines.

N Y. Giants (8-8) - The Giants will split the running back duties between Tiki Barber and Heisman winner Ron Dayne. Kerry Collins is finally looking like a NFL quarterback The G-Men will surprise some teams this year.

Dallas (6-10) - While some weapons on offense are intact with Emmitt Smith, Troy Aikman, and Raghib Ismail, the loss of Galloway will hurt The Cowboys have huge holes in the defense, especially the secondary Look for teams to go deep on Dallas often.

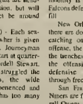
Arizona (5-11) - Jake Plummer will need to recapture his form of a year ago, but now he is forced to do so without the services of Rob Moore. The running game was terrible last year, partly the fault of the offensive line.

Getting back into the "swing" of things

By Morgan Kochenower
SPORTS EDITOR

I was very disappointed with the turnout that Bob Benge had for fourth summer session softball. But it wasn't Benge's fault. There were only enough students for four teams, which is good because teams could play more games But that is still pathetic. Thank goodness for a new season of Softball, with 16 teams wanting to win. So how do we quench these crazed athletes? Stick them on the diamond and let them battle it out.

This year should be interesting, there is new blood out there and there should be some undiscovered players who are going to surprise some people, like A.J. Stagg, a freshmen who was picked by Ben Richardson. Speaking of Team Richardson, they seem to have a solid team with Eric Dingman and T.J. Knutson who both swing some big lumber. Last year team Skinner won the "All-Night Softball" Tournament, and it will be interesting to see who will be crazy enough to win it this year. Though most people like the in-your-face sports like football and hockey, softball is tough. Have you seen the rocks on the infield? They are huge.



Softball is a chance for guys to stand at the plate, look out at the stands, wink at a few girls, and swing the bat as hard as they can to get a deep out What would we do without the showboats? By the time you read this, softball will have already started, so as I write to the past, come on out Monday night and watch some softball, support your boyfriend or girlfriend and have some fun. Studies come second to sports no matter what.

Words from the Editor

As the new year begins I, Morgan Kochenower, would like to make a few promises to the reader.

1. I will always give a biased opinion.

2. A page will be dedicated to all the Cleveland Browns fans.

3. I will give groundbreaking news on Southern athletes and their struggles with fortune and fame, and how they deal with assault charges and court battles. Though I will disguise their names to protect the innocent.

4 And I will try to keep stats so that we can have stat leaders in each sport.

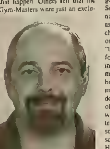
The rise of a "new dynasty"?

By Morgan Kochenower
SPORTS EDITOR

There is one thing that Southern has been known for besides a high marriage rate, and that would have to be Gymnastics. But the program has suffered lately and is looking for help Thank goodness for Rick Schwarz and the help he brings, but as much as I would like to sit here and write a glorious story about how the gymnastics team is back on top, I can't The truth is, this is Coach Schwarz first year at Southern and there might be a little adjustment period before the team gels

There are definitely some major improvements to this year's team from last year's team and this is only tryouts There was a lot of room for improvement from last year For one, there were only seventeen people on the team last year The only thing good about that is transportation. This year's team has more people trying out at each position That means more bases more tumblers and more tops The team is also getting help from Eddie Towles, a second year business major, and Chad Gilmore, a four-year nursing student, who are both talented tumblers who can help the team in many areas But that's not all, with the addition of a new coach interest has hit the roof Just walking around the mats during practice I noticed a more positive attitude David Cole feels like everybody is pushing themselves, and Summer Frazier has noticed that there are more experienced students trying out.

But why is there more interest? Why all of a sudden are people deciding to try out? A rumor that I heard floating around some of the former team members was that none of the gymnasts respected Coach Mixon I am sorry people felt that way, but things like that happen Others felt that the Gym-Masters were just an exclusive group who only hung around the team, which is also sad. I talked to Coach Schwarz and he doesn't want the team to be set apart from the rest of the school. He even said that he might have the Sports Editor along on trips to let the school know how they are doing Good idea if we are going to a tropical island, bad idea if we are going to Cowpens South Carolina Leean Hall a former member of the old Gym-Masters and who is now trying out for this year's team feels like there is a very good chance that this years team could be back on top doing NBA half-time shows again But why should it end there? Southern has always been known as the best gymnastics team in the Adventist system.



Richard Schwarz is the new Gym Masters coach.

By getting Rick Schwarz, they got a top quality tumbler in Rick Schwarz, Jr, an incredible gymnast who is only a freshman. I asked Schwarz, Jr what kind of a change it would be for him to be on the Southern team, and Jr said "there is really no change except for bigger people and more tossing". I remember that warm summer day when Coach Schwarz brought his son to me and asked me if there was anything I could do to teach his son how to be one of the great tumblers Back then I was a hot shot and wasn't big on teaching, but I saw and heard something from junior that was screaming out "Help me Morgan" How could I resist? I ended up taking him under my wing and Rick, Jr ended up finishing #1 in the U.S. National's class I tumbling, and competed in international events in England He brings a lot of tumbling experience to the team

The Gymnastics team should not be a group of people that are better than anybody else or held above another. They are our friends and they represent us away from school, so let us, Southern Adventist University, support them There are 80 gymnastic machines ready to give it their all to be considered one of the few, the proud, the, need I say "Gym-Master"

American U. sues CAA over post-season play

BY JENN KEPKA
THE EAGLE

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - American University filed suit August 28 against the Colonial Athletic Association in Federal District Court, alleging the CAA unfairly penalized student-athletes by prohibiting AU from post-season CAA competition after AU announced its intention to leave the CAA in the 2001-2002 school year.

After AU's announcement this spring that it will depart the CAA next year to compete in the Patriot League, the CAA fined the school $250,000 for departing the conference without the requisite three-year notice. The CAA also prohibited AU teams from participating in post-season CAA tournaments and announced AU would not host the CAA women's volleyball tournament, as scheduled.

"Our whole premise all along [is] it is absolutely and totally an unacceptable action against the student-athletes," David Taylor, chief of staff to AU President Benjamin Ladner, said.

AU is seeking a lift on the post-season play ban and on the withdrawal of the volleyball championship, Taylor said.

AU will not contest the fine, he said

"If you want to fine the institution, fine," Taylor said. "This is about the athletes, the teams being prohibited from tournament play"

In the lawsuit, AU is contesting the CAA's authority to impose penalties beyond monetary reparations, Taylor said

AU was the second team in the CAA this spring to announce a departure, East Carolina University announced it will leave the CAA for Conference USA next fall. The University of Richmond announced its intention to leave the CAA for the Atlantic 10 conference shortly after AU's announcement.

When ECU left, the CAA negotiated terms of departure with the school, which included a ban on post-season CAA competition but no fines, according to Taylor Though AU was aware of the possibility of a tournament ban, AU officials were never given an opportunity to negotiate departure circumstances with the CAA board

"There was no effort to discuss with us terms and conditions of departure," Taylor said

The ban places AU team sports at a great disadvantage for NCAA tournament competition. To advance to the NCAA tournaments, a team will now have to win one of the at-large NCAA bids. These spots are decided by looking at a team's win-loss record and the strength of its competitors throughout the season Normally, an AU team could qualify for the tournament by winning the CAA tournament.

The AU women's volleyball team is ranked No. 1 in the CAA conference going into the fall season.

The decision to exclude AU from competition is harmful not only to the student-athletes at AU, but to the conference as a whole. Taylor said

"It minimizes the competition within the conference itself," he said. "You're hurting your competition, and you're being a bit excessive to your retaliatory actions."

The case will soon be assigned to a judge, who will issue a preliminary ruling in two to three weeks, Taylor said

Maryland men's soccer wins two behind solid play from freshmen

By Tommy Venire
The Diamondback

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. - With an airborne back heel tap of a Nick Downing corner kick in the 32nd minute of Sunday's game against South Florida, freshman forward Abe Thompson gave the No 14-ranked Maryland men's soccer team a 1-0 lead and wrote the first chapter of what could be a thrilling collegiate soccer story

Freshman forward Clarence Goodson and sophomore midfielder Scott Buete also scored, helping the Terps (2-0) to a 3-0 win over the Bulls at a rain-soaked Klockner Stadium on the final day of the Virginia/Coca-Cola Classic

"It was a great feeling, scoring my first college goal," said Thompson, who is regarded as the leader of the Terps' 2000 recruiting class and an early candidate for ACC Freshman of the Year "Hopefully it will be the first of many."

Thompson forced the corner with an 18-foot blast that South Florida goalkeeper Troy Perkins (three saves) deflected with his fingertips. On the ensuing play, Downing curled a low cross into the box from the left side Thompson cut in front of a defender, jumped to meet the ball and poked it past Perkins with a flick of his left heel

It was Downing's second assist of the weekend on a corner kick In the Terps' season opener here Friday against Jacksonville, the junior defender found sophomore forward A.J Herrera in the 30th minute to break a 1-1 tie and send Terps to a 4-1 win.

A mental lapse from Downing resulted in Jacksonville's goal Friday but he and his back-line mates were solid Sunday The Bulls (0-2) gave tournament host Virginia a good test in a 3-2 loss on Friday, but hard work by the Terps' backs limited their chances Sunday

"Our team defending and pressure on the ball was exceptional," Terrapin coach Sasho Cirovski said. "We didn't allow them to play and as a result we got a lot of chances."

In the first half, Cirovski's team had trouble converting those chances The Terps were caught offside four times and several connecting balls either sailed long or were cut off and cleared by the South Florida back line

Thompson's goal came on the last good chance the Terps would get until midway through the second half.

By then, long balls from the back began to find their targets and the Terps began to apply pressure. In the 62nd minute Thompson broke free, forcing Perkins to come off his line. As the two met, Thompson flicked the ball forward and Perkins tripped him The tackle drew a red card and left Thompson with a gash in his right leg

Perkins' ejection marked the boiling point of an afternoon of rough soccer. In the first half, Downing and South Florida's Greg Krauss confronted each other, resulting in a caution for Downing

Earlier in the half, Krauss had slid hard into senior goalkeeper Christian Lewis (two saves) as he fielded a loose ball.

The Terps took advantage of the ejection in the 82nd minute. Freshman Bryan Vitagliano drew Perkins' replacement Chris Simpson out of the box and pounded a shot off him. Goodson corralled the rebound and lofted the ball into the net from 40 yards out for a 2-0 lead

Six minutes later, Buete scored on a breakaway with Vitagliano.

"I wasn't going to play for a 1-0 loss," South Florida coach John Hackworth said. "We pulled two defenders out of the back the last 20 minutes and you're going to possibly give up some goals [if you do that]"

TERP NOTES: Virginia finished the weekend 2-0 and took the tournament title via an aggregate-goal tiebreaker over the Terps The Cavaliers thumped Jacksonville Sunday, 7-1

Genetic engineering and coffee beans

Kieth Pulfer
Technology
Editor

My fellow coffee-drinking friends will understand. Feared by true coffee lovers and the people who have to live with them, decaffeinated coffee is seen by many as a last resort to giving up coffee altogether Why else would someone try it?

High blood pressure, insomnia, and heart problems are just a few of the physical examples And we all love the I'm-irritable-because-the-coffee-machine-is-broken coworker.

The current decaffeination process uses supercritical carbon dioxide fluid to extract the evil gremlin known as caffeine. Unfortunately, this process leeches out the good-tasting chemicals as well Lucky for us, scientists at Ochanomizu University in Japan think they have discovered a way to genetically engineer coffee beans so that they are caffeine-free Not only will the new beans produce yummy beverages with full flavor, but they may be healthier* for you as well Tea naturally contains polyphenols, which may fight heart disease, but often caffeine cancels out the benefits of the polyphenols Now a team of researchers at Ochanomizu University will try to eliminate caffeine from

the final product using standard gene slicing techniques

Soon we may no longer have to choose between good taste and healthier coffee Best of all, this isn't something you'll have to wait 30 years to see in your kitchen The research team estimates that their product could be available to consumers within five years The public's uncertainty about genetically engineered products might prevent the new product from selling well

Full flavor coffee without caffeine may soon be possible.

After researching the effects of caffeine at Bristol University, Peter Rogers said it best when he concluded, "My view is that caffeine is not beneficial to human mental performance or physical wellbeing" Good call Peter

* Or less dangerous, depending on how you look at it.

Webster says

By "Webster"

Dear Student,

Welcome to (or welcome back) Southern!! Regardless of whether you are new or returning to SAU, you have probably noticed how quick our Internet service is here And with a world of web pages at the instant click of your mouse, it can be tempting to spend hours downloading MP3s off of Napster instead of studying Survey of Economics notes.

Apparently Southern has decided to help us from becoming Internet junkies by limiting our downloading capabilities to 200 megabytes a day (ectually the reason is more of an issue of good bandwidth stewardship in order to keep things fast) Therefore we are forced to become connoisseurs of what we download and which websites we visit in order to make maximum usage of our megabyte memory

That's where I, Webster, come in

Each week I will be reviewing the best websites in areas of interest to the student body. Want to make long distance calls to home for free? Want to get free stuff from major name brands? Want to find out where the highway patrol will be running radar when you take that drive home in October? Do you want to know what fun things there are to see and do in Chattanooga this weekend? You can find that and much more useful stuff on the web and I'll show you how.

Now some are of the opinion that the Internet is a great tool for education. No, the Internet is a great place to get free music, to play "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire", and to find funny movie clips to email to friends (like the one of the monkey who smells his finger and then falls off of the tree!)

But it would do us good to look at--for a moment--how websites can help us in our classes. Because let's face it, the sooner we get done with that Comp paper, the sooner we can make those trades for our fantasy football team. So here is a review of the following academic sites that you might find can help you save some time or your grade.

www library southern.edu

Southern has a very useful and convenient library website. Divided by departments, this website gives some of the best links to different sites related to your major And if you need to do a search off of the web but don't know which engine to use, click on the "Search" link at the top left of the home page and you will go to a list of links to some of the best search engines out there as well as a whole reference library online which can get you anything from a definition of "kerugma" to zip codes in Utah. What I like the most is that the card catalogue is online, so you can do all your looking for the right book from your room, write down the appropriate numbers, and know what you want right when you get to the library!

www.studentu com

I like the premise of this website, but its usefulness may not be universal What this website does is collect notes that students in major universities all over the U.S are taking as they go along with their classes. The idea is that if you loose your notes, can't read your notes, or did not take good notes in the first place, then you can go online and obtain for free the notes of some student who is taking the same class at your university or somewhere else. Please realize that this is not to be used as an alternative to going to class. You are putting yourself in the hands of someone else if you rely solely on their notes, this is to act as a supplement to your material--or a lack thereof In addition this site offers study guides for different subjects and chapter-by-chapter book notes for all of you who are having trouble understanding "Animal Farm" or "The Old Man and the Sea."

www dictionaries travlang com

All of you who are taking Spanish, French, or German are going to love this site! You will start to find out soon that it takes a long time to do your translation homework because you have to keep looking up those annoying words that appear in the homework but were never included in your vocabulary list at the beginning of the chapter. Or you have to write in the foreign language you are studying but every other word you want to say is a word you don't know, so you spend all your time going back and forth in the English/Whatever dictionary With the Internet and this site you have the power to get the word you are wanting to say or learn after typing it in and clicking "enter." Just type in the English word and get the different possible ways it might be said in French, or put the French words in and find out that that sentence means, "We don't like you Americans either!"

Happy Surfing,

Webster

Music bootlegging and Napster

By Janelle Wesmer
Technology Editor

Unless you have been living under a rock (or completely devoid of a computer, an internet connection and music), you know what an "mp3" is. For those of you rock-dwellers, it is a type of file format that provides for high-quality music that is incredibly compressed What this essentially means, is that you have cd-quality music in a very small file Roughly 1/10 the file size of a single song on CD. This smaller file also makes it very convenient to download Enter Napster, et. al

Napster has been at the heart of controversy for several months now In April of this year, Metallica filed a law suit against Napster alleging that Napster had failed to prevent the downloading of it's copywrited music. According to the lawsuit, this constitutes copywright infringement since the band isn't raking in money when I download one of their songs from another computer user (who probably downloaded it from someone who downloaded it from someone who "ripped" it off his roommate's CD) I guess this is where the controversy comes in

Remember back in the 80s and even the early 90s when we used to keep a blank cassette in the tape deck so that when that song came on the radio, we could record it? Some argue that using programs such as Napster is no different.

Henry Hicks, Executive Director of Information Systems and John Beckett, Assistan Professor for the School of Computing both disagree with that approach

Mr Hicks said that it is different than that in 2 ways: the quality is better, and the files are much easier to transport Mr Beckett added that "with a CD burner and a decent printer, you can now make a CD that looks and sounds much like the real thing - unlike a cassette which would always have more hiss and lack the packaging that gave it the look of quality." Not to mention how the DJ always managed to ruin the last 2 seconds of the song by giving the stations call letters

Music bootlegging is certainly an issue with this new technology, but using Napster does not automatically mean that you are doing anything illegal If you own the CD, you are allowed to have the mp3. This is part of the reason that Napster is still functioning after a court ordered it to be shut down

When Metallica's drummer, Lars Ulrich, presented Napster with nearly 350,000 names of users collected just in 2 days who were allegedly trading illegal Metallica songs, Napster, in an effort to cooperate with Metallica in upholding copyright laws, banned those users from using the Napster software Some of those people were students here at Southern

"We have fully cooperated with publishers that contact us in an effor to [uphold] their copyright," said Hicks "Using Napster, however, does not automatically mean that you are violating copyright law."

Apparently Napster agrees with that, as they have restored previously banned users who sign an affadavit stating that their Metallica music is legal for them to have due to purchase of the album.

Third parties have also become involved, the most famous of these creating a website where Napster users can report which Metallica songs they have downloaded, and then pay a $1.00 fee for each song, thus purchasing the rights to have the song That website is http://www poylars.com for any of you who are having an attack of conscience. Or, you can save the $1 00 for laundry, and just delete the file

The best and worst of the Web

The Best And The Worst of the Web

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We work with Web sites a lot. Dave and I, and we come across some pretty fascinating Web sites when we surf the Net So to start your year off right, fire up your browser of choice and check out these sites

The Best - AdCritic com (http://www.adcritic com)

Who can't help but love a website where you can watch your favorite commercials whenever you want? AdCritic com prides itself in serving up Quicktime versions straight to your screen - convenient if the deans ever find that TV you stashed underneath your bed. And just in case you missed them the last time you went to Hamilton Place, you can also watch movie trailers on the site.

I will admit some disappointment - I really wanted to see the "I love you, man!" commercials and those were conspicuously missing from the listings But with offerings such as Molson's "I am Canadian" ad, Nike with Tiger Woods, and Discovery.com's meteor commercial, you'll find plenty to keep you entertained.

Just to top it off, be sure to watch Fruit of the Loom's "Boys Hang Low" commercial You'll get honorable mention in next week's column if you can send me an MP3 of the song they're using in the commercial

The Worst - The Stinky Meat Project (http://www stinkymeat net)

Frankly, I was tempted to put this as one of my Best of the Web picks, but the subject matter should say it all Beautiful site design, but it all goes to show that a monkey in a tuxedo is still a monkey. If you're not already a vegetarian, this site might just change your mind

CopyLeft (www copyleft.com) has t-shirts of the Stinky Meat Project, so if you want to let me know that I'm wrong about this being one of the Worst of the Web, buy one and support the Stinky Meat Project.

As for me, I think I'm going to quit going to Taco Bell now

The Best And The Worst of the Web

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Well here we go, this is going to be my personal viewpoint on what makes good web pages There are two factors that are important to me when evaluating a website, that is content and look I have seen many sites with lots of content but they look horrible, and I have also seen lots of sites that look great but there really isn't anything in them

Enough said about my philosophy and let's take a look at some sites.

Good Site http://www lego.com

The very fact that I have seen this site is due to my roommate, who is a Lego collector. "And the rule stands THOU SHALT NOT BUY AND OR STORE LEGOS IN OUR ROOM UNTIL SUCH TIME AS YOU OR I LEAVE AMEN."

Lego com is actually a really good looking site with plenty of pics and info on products and a whole lot of other stuff you can amuse yourself with. If you are a high bandwidth user (and most of us are) then you can look at their little Flash site introduction, which is pretty cool It has a little Lego man flying across the screen on a rocket spewing lots of blue smoke. Great stuff.

All right, I think I've said more than I ever wanted to about Lego and legos for today, on to the Bad site of the week.

Bad Site http://www cnn com Yes, believe it or not CNN has a horrible website. Sure its got the content thing covered but its quite cluttered and a significant challenge to sort through the literal bombardment of information. It is the classic example of a site with plenty to say and a really bad way of getting it across Which is surprising for such an awesome news agency I have been down in the CNN building in Atlanta and believe me they can afford to hire a web design team to do a better job than that

Well that's about it for this week. Let me know if you have any sites that you think fit into the Good or Bad category and I might review them

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The Technology section is looking for writers. Please contact Janelle Wasmer or Keith Pulfer if you are interested.

Human embryo cell research to be OK'd by the NIH

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The Clinton Administration has released guidelines that will be used by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) as it considers using federal grant money for human embryo cell research

The guidelines insist that federal research only be conducted on cells that have been extracted from frozen embryos, which would have been discarded anyway. This is in response to opponents' arguments that this type of research involves destroying human embryos

The guidelines also state that federal money could not be used in the "destruction of embryos." This task would be left to a private individual No payments would be allowed to the "donor", and she would not be allowed to determine where the embryo is used.

Critics of this move by the Clinton Administration have protested the decision. They claim that it is morally wrong to destroy a living being for this type of research

Also, recent research has shown that adult cells may hold the same information needed for the research It was previously thought that only embryonic cells could provide this information.

Despite praiseworthy efforts of such critics, the process of reviewing grant applications will begin, and the first announcement may come as early as the late end of next year

Applications go through several NIH committees before being accepted to receive grants Many patient groups are strongly encouraging the embryo research, which may lead to medical breakthroughs Daniel Perry, chairman of Patients' Coalition for Urgent Research claims that the potential medical benefits outweigh any ethical reservations about embryo research

Should our government give grants for human embryo research? Email us and let us know Send it to accent@southern.edu with POLL in the subject line. One vote per person please. Three animals were nearly harmed in the writing of this article

Ask a Geek

Dear Geeks,

I don't know about many other people on campus, but I'm tired of being transferred from one place to another, being put on "hold" 9 times and having to talk to like 20 people before I finally get to speak with who I need to talk to about something like my voicemail. Is there any place where we can get a list of which of the many Information Systems numbers we need to call for what? Cause it's really frustrating

-On Hold

On Hold,

There is now! Here you go, hope it helps

To pay for Ethernet setup

2707 or go to the ID card desk

To schedule Ethernet card setup

2712 or go to the Help Desk.

To change your e-mail password

2707 or go to the ID card desk

For questions about voicemail

2148

For questions about your phone service OTHER than voicemail

2701

If you have network or Ethernet problems

2712 or 2148

If you have computer problems that require service

http://is southern.edu/internet/geeks.html

If you aren't sure if your problem falls under these categories

2712 and they'll point you in the right direction

-The Geek

Whazzup, Geek!

Is there any way to get around the bandwidth thing in the dorms? I can't watch movies anymore and it's super annoying cause I keep getting kicked off

-Movie Starved

Dear Movie Starved,

In a word, NO It's people who hog bandwidth like that who are one of the big causes of the bandwidth cap in the first place Go buy a DVD player

-The Geek

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EDITORIALS

Skyrocketing enrollment finds Southern unprepared

It is no secret that the flood of new students on campus this year has caused serious housing difficulties for Southern's administration and students. Deans have stated that both dorms are full to capacity, and at least twenty more students needing housing are expected to arrive in the next few days. Close to seventy more students are filling school-provided houses and apartments just off campus, and at least fifteen more are temporarily living in faculty homes, Deans Negron and Ericson said.

While it is encouraging to see Southern growing to such incredible proportions, it is obvious that the swelling of the student body is stretching Southern's housing capacity to the breaking point. Both the mens' and womens' deans are under incredible pressure to create non-existent space for students in need of housing. It is quite an amazing fact that under the current circumstances no one has been left sleeping under the stars, which is due to the hard work of the deans and the hospitality of faculty who have taken students into their homes.

The overriding question that surfaces in all the chaos is how did the housing situation progress to such a crisis point? "The enrollment increase caught everyone from the president on down to the deans by surprise," Negron said. "I'm not sure anything could have been done differently."

It seems that there were several factors contributing to the current shortage of living space on campus. First, Southern over advertised. There was not space to hold the students within reach of the extensive ads run in a wide variety of mediums, including the infamous I-75 bulletin board.

Second, presumably because of a goal to make Christian education available to as many students as possible, Southern has a very open acceptance policy. There was no official enrollment cap employed, even after it became clear that housing was at a crisis point, and the standards for acceptance were never raised. Students continued to flow into Southern even after the dorms were full.

Third, Southern has a rigid policy requiring non-local students under the age of 23 to live in campus housing. If the policy was looseeed, space would open for incoming dorm residents.

It is vital that lessons be learned from this year's problems. "I think the answer is better planning," Negron said. It seems that if administration deems it important to maintain an open acceptance policy and to require non-local students under 23 to live on campus, this is the only answer. Providing more on-campus housing clearly needs to be made a priority.

In the meantime, administration, deans, and students are all doing their best to cope with the crowded conditions. With a little adjustment and tolerance, the school year can be a success, and it is likely that Southern won't be caught so unprepared again.

Possible solutions to the problem

The dorms are full. Students are living in faculty homes and in houses rented in Collegedale by Southern. Not only are older students living in these off campus homes, but some "underage" students who happen to have older roommates are now living off campus as well.

It seems that there are at least three possible solutions that can be looked at for future reference.

First, set a cap on enrollment. For years, Southern has had a policy of rolling admissions so as to not keep out students who want to attend this school. In past years this has worked but now, with enrollment increasing steadily, other options should be considered.

True, Southern has now started a waiting list for potential students, but it seems as if this solution has come a bit too late. Some two-person rooms are housing three students, deans offices in Talge Hall have been turned into dorm rooms, and resident assistants must now have roommates.

The second solution is to build more dormitories. Last year Southern faced full dorms, and this year, with over 200 new students, aforementioned options have been put into action.

Now it's easy to say, "Build more dormitories." The reality is that Southern is not SimCity. But if Southern wants to continue to increase enrollment -- especially since there is plenty of room in the classrooms, it needs to put a plan into action.

In October, the Board of Trustees will meet to decide what to do about the lack of housing.

Southern believes strongly in a dorm environment to house students. Having students live, work and play together brings unity. It's not that Southern wants to play mommy and daddy over the students.

But another possible solution is to relax the policy on allowing students to move out of the dorm. The current policy is that students must be 23 years old to live off-campus and attend Southern. But with the situation now, students several years younger are not residents of Talge, Thatcher or Thatcher South. Lowering the age to live off-campus would free up space in the dorms -- possibly enough space to allow students that are 24 and older to move back into the dorm. Why force out students that want to live in the dorm while restricting students that would like to move out? One staff member commented he would consider leaving Southern if he was told there was not room in the dorm for him. So why not lower the age limit to live off-campus to 21?

So far Southern has survived. And the administration would rather deal with the headache of not enough housing then having too many empty rooms.

Thanks to everyone for working hard and complying with the situation, especially for those living off-campus. We just hope that their hot water and refrigerators are still working.

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Welcome to Southern!

School administrators and student leaders welcome you to campus

A word from the president

Dear Southern Student

As I thought about a creative "back-to-school" welcome for you, I remembered what many of us did in second grade when we returned to the classroom.

The teacher would say, "I want each of you to tell me about your summer vacation."

So I thought I would tell you about my summer--even though it wasn't exactly a vacation. I spent an entire week with the Cabinet (Southern's five vice presidents) to lay plans for your return. I raised some vegetables in my garden . . I visited my two little granddaughters . I went to the General Conference session in Toronto . I took some vacation . . . I had a lot of meetings--a LOT of meetings.

and I presented a camp meeting series of talks in New York.

So what did you do? I am sure that you had a full summer, too. It probably included a lot of work, maybe a little vacation, and no doubt you visited your grandparents if you had the opportunity.

It is good to have you here on campus. We exist for you. I am looking forward to a very good year. Thanks for coming!

Yours in Christ,
Gordon Bietz
President

Welcome to dorm life

Welcome to Thatcher Hall from all of your deans--Dean Krause, Dean Ericson, Dean Bledsoe and me. It's been lonely over the summer without you here, and I have missed your smiling faces gracing our halls and lobbies.

I trust each and every one of you had a nice break this summer. Whether it was working an 80 hour week, taking classes like General Chemistry or Sociology, or just basking in the sun, I am sure that you appreciated the change in pace. I took a few days off for rest and relaxation as well.

I hope you can participate in the activities we have planned for you. Our girls' club, Sigma Theta Chi, hosts a biannual mother-daughter brunch along with fruit, bread and butter nights. We sponsor an evening of roller skating and during the holidays give out food baskets at Thanksgiving and collect toys for the needy children at Christmas. Other times throughout the year, we have movie nights in the chapel and contests for prizes and gift certificates to places such as Bath and Body Works, Barnes and Noble, and various area restaurants.

I look forward to getting to know you all better as we spend this time together. Stop by any of our offices here in Thatcher and visit with us. From all the deans, we wish you the best in the upcoming year.

Sincerely,
Sharon Engel
Dean of Women

Did the U. Maryland experiment in hired housing fail?

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK, Md. - The University of Maryland's experiment in hired housing began as students moved into the University Courtyard apartments and the initial reports aren't too encouraging. Instead of finding their new home to be a presentable, model facility, students were greeted with sloppy paint jobs, holes in the walls and leftover refuse from construction workers.

Many rooms have paint splattered on the carpets and floors (note to construction workers: paint first, then put down carpets). Electrical outlets are uncovered and unpainted. Cabinets open upon swiss cheese walls.

One student's apartment has a cracked and dripping air conditioner, broken kitchen cabinets, a broken laundry room door and a dented front door.

Some residents have found cans and other items left over from construction workers, two students found something a little more .. personal. Workers had left drawings of male genitalia and a naked woman on the underside of the kitchen counter. Another student will have a happier time going to the bathroom, with a smiley face drawn on the lid of his toilet tank.

Granted, these are mostly cosmetic deficiencies that the complex's proprietors should be able to fix, but they point to a potentially troubling future for the campus's housing situation.

The resident life office, having been denied funding for dorm construction by the state, has turned to private companies such as Ambling, which built and manages the Courtyard, and Capstone, which is building new apartments on South Hill. There is nothing wrong with privately built and owned housing as long as it meets the needs of students and the standards the campus would set for its own dorms.

It is doubtful that the campus would spend millions of dollars to build a new dorm or renovate an old one and allow it to look like a haphazard, slipshod affair. But that's just what it appears the private companies, without the same quality expectations that the campus would have, are doing.

The Courtyard filled up on the strength of a good-looking presentation and the lure of luxury apartments (in college terms, at least). Ambling may well fix the problems, and the apartments might still become the most sought-after housing on the campus.

But if the company is lackluster in responding to the complaints, and if the campus does not step in to impose some quality control, the non-campus apartments may find themselves with many more vacancies over the next few years. And that could make the housing situation even worse than it is now.

This staff editorial originally appeared in the University of Maryland, College Park Diamondback.

S.A. welcomes you

Dear Students,

Hi! I am Laramie Barber, the social vice president for the school year. I am in service to God along with David Warden, president, and Paul Myers, executive vice president. My responsibility this year is to plan student activities here on campus. My goal is to glorify God to the uttermost.

It is my intention that students who comes to Southern will not leave without having the opportunity to accept Christ into their lives and growing closer to my Father in heaven. I not only want to hold social activities that are a lot of fun and enjoyable to all, but I want each person that attends the social activities to leave feeling as if they have been brought closer to God and are living that life which is "life to the abundance."

God has called us to be servants. It is my desire to be a servant to God. It is for His approval that I live. He has called me to be a servant to my fellow man, a servant to their needs. The activities this year will enable you to fellowship with one another and will allow you to enjoy life and take a break from studying. I pray that each activity will bring you closer to Christ and to one another.

I urge you to hold me accountable to God's word. If you ever see me doing anything you feel convicted is contrary to the word of God, please bring it to my attention. It is my desire to be perfect as my Father in heaven is perfect. If you believe one of the social activities promoted something contrary to God's word, please come and talk with me about it. Together we will study the scriptures and discover truth. Also, if you have any suggestions for activities here on campus, come and share your ideas with me. I look forward to working together with you and providing activities that all will enjoy.

God commissioned us to go into all the world and share the gospel. Southern Adventist University is my world. It is true that not all people will accept God, but I pray that I will not miss any opportunities to bring a soul to Jesus in my service to Him this year. I pray that each of you may know Jesus and be saved.

I pray that this year will be one that is unforgettable to each of you. I pray that we will make memories together that will last throughout eternity. Together, with God, this can be accomplished. I pray that each of you will have a blast at the social activities provided by S.A. and that each of you will live life to the fullest.

In Christ,
Laramie Barber

Ask Ellie your questions about campus

Dear Ellie,

As a village student, I find it very difficult to carry with me everything that I need for the day and it would be very helpful if there was a locker I could use to store my gear.

Sincerely,
Wanting Space

Dear Wanting Space,

It can be tough to carry all the stuff that you need for an entire day around with you. As a village student in academy, I faced the same challenges you do now.

Unfortunately for you, the dorm rooms in the various residence halls serve as lockers for most university students. Perhaps a way to solve this dilemma of yours is to find a friend and ask to use their room as your "home base" during school hours. Also, most off campus students have a car and that should provide adequate space for daily storage.

But, if neither of these ideas will work, you have my greatest sympathy. Perhaps the solution is to buy a larger back pack.

Dear Ellie,

There aren't any copies of the Knoxville News-Sentinel or the Nashville Tennessean on campus. Worse, there're only two copies of the Chattanooga Times Free-Press on campus and those are in the lobby of Wright Hall and the Library. Where can I find some newspapers to keep up with the daily news?

Sincerely,
Searching

Dear Searching,

I am so glad that you asked that question! After a few phone calls were made, I discovered that there are many places that you can find newspapers. For starters, many departments have subscriptions to various news sources. Check with your advisor or chair person of your department. Local newspapers are for sale in the Village Market and outside the Post Office. If you want the news available a little closer to home, newspapers and magazines are in the lobbies of both Talge and Thatcher Halls. As you can see, there is no excuse not to be current.

It's a different year and with that comes some new changes. The Answer Man will no longer be receiving your questions, comments or problems. But, your voice can still be heard and you're questions will still be answered! Simply fill out one of the "Say What" forms and place them in the brass mailboxes located in Wright Hall or e-mail it to: saywhat@southern.edu

Ellie's Answers will reply to your questions in a weekly column. This column is directed by the office of Public Relations, with a student employee researching answers.

Welcome to Southern. If you are interested in helpiing with the Accent, there are several positions open. Please stop by our office in the Student Center or call 2721.

Welcome to your R.E.A.L.I.T.Y.

For those of you who are freshman and new to Southern, welcome to the next stage of your continuing education. As a professional student (this will be my sixth and final year), I have observed several factors that can determine how you deal with reality here at college . . .

RESPONSIBILITY. This is not the reality of your parents, your teachers, or your peers This is your reality, your time to take full responsibility for the decisions you make and the results thereof Make sure you have your priorities in the right order, mainly by remembering that you are here to get an education You must never forget why you are here Though many of you may be skeptical at this point, I am compelled to stress such facts It is much easier to lose sight of your goals than to keep them in sight And once you have lost sight of your goals, it is very difficult to regain the necessary focus that your goals require

ENJOYMENT Many of you may not like the rules imposed by Southern's administration, while others may be restricted by the conservative Christian environment. Though I am not giving my full endorsement to all of Southern's rules (I still find some of them utterly ridiculous), I would like to point out that no one is forcing you to be here The vast majority of you are legal adults and hence have not been forced to attend here. You alone may choose how to enjoy your stay here at Southern, and you will find that things are not so bad, rules notwithstanding.

ACCEPTANCE Unlike high school, so-called "cliques" are not practical nor wise. In order to gain the acceptance of your fellow students, you must be willing to be a proud individual Be open-minded, be unique, be willing to march to the beat of a different drum. You would be surprised at how others will accept you for what you are, not for who you hang out with or who you try to emulate In short, be different.

Dave Leonard

LISTENING: During your first few weeks at Southern, please bear in mind that you do not know everything Be willing to listen to others and you will be imparted invaluable information that is not taught in Southern's classrooms or described in its handbooks. It will make your experiences much easier

INVOLVEMENT If you want an enriched collegiate experience, get involved in different extra-curricular activities Aside from the usual inter-mural sports and departmental clubs' events, there are other student organizations that you can get involved in . the Student Association (SA) allows you to develop your leadership skills by being a Senator, a member of the Social Committee, or being involved in other SA positions; the CARE Office allows you to minister to others, whether it be through "The 3rd" Church Service, CABL events, or outreach ministers; the Democratic and Republican Clubs will allow you to get involved, on a local level, in this year's elections These are but a few activities that you can involve yourself in

TOUGHNESS: Always remember that even though you want to be accommodating to others, do not go through college without a spine If your roommate abuses your property or disrespects your room rights, make sure you take care of the problem. If there are those who irritate or "cling," wasting your time, do not hesitate in letting them know that you do not have time for such illogical behavior and that your time can be better spent. Do not let others define you. Define yourself first.

YOU. Finally, none of the above statements matters at all if you do not choose to act upon them. Only you can decide how your reality will be

Welcome to YOUR reality

Good luck and enjoy your stay.

Dave Leonard is a senior communications major from North Carolina.

Out of whack

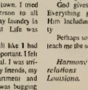
Balance. I am always striving to achieve it. It's this seemingly unattainable, mysterious thing that is forever out of reach.

I think I have spent my whole life struggling for balance Maybe some people are naturally born with it. Like there is just this gene that makes one a balanced person.

Not that I'm unbalanced like straightjackets and group therapy I just have trouble with moderation in all aspects of life

If I want cookies, I eat them until they're gone. If I go for a run, I run until I feel kind of nauseous. I zero in on things and focus all of my attention on them And I'm terrible at that whole "just a little bit" thing

Having a summer that was truly free of worry was good for me I needed a break from my usual way-too-fast-paced life. I seriously needed to relax.



Harmony Tillerson

It was like, hey, I can sleep in Hey, I can lie in the sun all afternoon Hey, I get free coffee at work. I mean, it's okay that I hardly ever drink caffeine because it's terrible for my heart, blood vessels and general health. It's free! And you know, it would be pretty much sinful for me to pass up something free.

The days slipped by They were fun ones, too. And I worked enough to pay the bills, so I wasn't completely irresponsible. I served coffee and pastries to the general public downtown. I tried to be a decent person to all mankind and I did my laundry in a grimy laundromat Life was good

But one day I felt like I had missed something important. I felt out of whack. For real. I was irritated with my life, my friends, my weird-smelling apartment and myself. Everything was bugging me. My car was dirty, it was hot outside and the people who lived below us kept complaining that we were too loud.

Ugh.

It took me an embarrassing amount of time to figure out that my unhappiness and unrest were being birthed by something inside of me. Something that said, "Help! You are unbalanced! You are missing something vital in your life. Figure out what it is so you can end this misery!"

So I called my mom and vented about life And miraculously, during my rambling monologue, I realized that my prayer life had been shoved in some dark closet all summer I think I put it in there to get it out later and then forgot all about it, like all those winter clothes that I have stored away in Thatcher's basement. Needless to say, I started over the next day My life was instantly changed. Or at least, my view on my life was changed

Sometimes I just get too confident. I forget that I need God. I think that maybe having a nice life with a stable environment and plenty of food, even if it is just lentils from Big Lots, makes me forget.

I didn't earn the good things in my life from being some incredible, goddess-like being who, by being so perfect, is showered with everything I need.

God gives me what I have. Everything good comes from Him Including lessons in humility

Perhaps sometime He can also teach me the secret of moderation

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

Lesson in the newsroom

It was 11 p m I slipped wearily into a chair in the conference room and waited for the news to begin Glancing out at the sports department still hard at work in the newsroom, I willed First Weather at 11 07 to come on quickly so I could go home. It had been yet another long day at work

But as Duane, the other night reporter, and I flipped back and forth through the news stations, a live shot on channel 12 caught our attention

A shooting

But not just any shooting

According to the reporter, it was a triple shooting

"We don't have that, do we?" I asked Duane, knowing full well we didn't

We quickly walked from the old side of the newsroom to the newly renovated side where the editors were relocated at the new city desk

Duane quickly explained the story to Kenny, the night editor I stood by, silently hoping that Kenny would send us.

And, as if he read my mind, Kenny looked at us and asked if we wanted to go

"Yes." I spoke up quickly Maybe too quickly.

But I was excited

As Duane and I gathered reporters notebooks and pens and rushed out the door, I felt the excitement that so many reporters feel when a big story breaks

We drove as fast as we could toward Alton Park, the neighborhood in which the shooting had occurred, making sure to stay close to the speed limit

As we neared the neighborhood, we drove a little more slowly, following the directions we were given and trying to find the recreation center

No luck.

We drove back to the gas station and pulled over to ask directions.

As we pulled out and headed toward the rec center, I felt my excitement become mixed with nervousness and caution. I always felt uncomfortable in neighborhoods like that.

And then we found it.

The blue lights flashing on top of the police cars blinded me as we got out of the car. I flipped open my notebook and stayed close to Duane as we mingled with the police officers and television reporters and tried to get information

Then one reporter announced that she was going to go to the hospital.

The hospital!

We had been the last media to reach the crime scene, but maybe we could get to the hospital first and get an edge on interviewing the relatives of the victims

I ran to find Duane, who had gone off to try to get around the police line to talk to residents, and informed him where the media was going

We informed our photographer and then jumped in the car, hoping to beat the crowd

Cadence Van Dolson

We were the first from the crime scene to arrive at the hospital and had a good conversation with the relatives Somehow a pad and pen seem less threatening than a camera and microphone.

When the television crews arrived and began surrounding us on the hospital sidewalk, officials made us move across the street so we wouldn't upset the families any more

What a rush.

Here it was, after 1:00 a.m. and I was at Erlanger Medical Center, waiting for a statement from the Public Information Officer on a shooting.

Then I looked across the street at the families.

The cousin of Montreze Oates, one of the victims, was hugging his sister who was sobbing hysterically More relatives came crying and the group surrounded each other.

Suddenly, a woman rushed out into the driveway and screamed, "No, he can't be dead!"

I felt tears well up in my eyes as I watched everything unfolding before me This teenager who, minutes before, had been driving through an impromptu party with some friends, was now lying in a hospital either dead or seriously injured.

All of a sudden, I wasn't a journalist anymore.

As I stood there, still clutching my notebook, the feelings of excitement were replaced by those of sadness and compassion.

"How can we do this?" I whispered to Duane as we stood with the other reporters, engaging in light conversation.

Here we were, chatting like it was any other day, while an innocent boy was dying

I felt awful What we were doing seemed so cruel and inhumane.

But it was our job.

Duane and I gathered around the PIO with the other reporters and jotted down his statement. Then our other photographer, stationed at the hospital, pulled us aside and told us that there had been a drive by shooting in the same neighborhood

We rushed off to that and tried to get some information out of the officers covering the scene. We were unsuccessful.

It was close to 2 30 a.m and we headed back to the office to organize our notes

On the way back I thought back to the hospital and saw the boy's mother wailing, knowing that her son was going to die.

I learned a lesson that night

We get so caught up in what we are doing to succeed that we don't think about others and how our intentions may hurt them

I know I will always remember this when I go out on a murder. It was my first shooting, and yet it taught me that even journalists need to remember the lessons of compassion.

Cadence Van Dolson is a junior English major from Tennessee. She is the editor of the Accent.

Regrets

If this were a court session the crowd would be hushed, the jurors would be on the edge of their seats and the judge would be leaning forward in suspense with raised eyebrows. Cameras would zoom in for a close-up and news reporters would scramble to collect voice clips and video feeds, lawyers' palms would be moist and their neckties would seem tighter as they waited for the sound that will break the silence. This would be the moment for a confession. Mine An honest one

I have regrets

I regret not holding my father's hand a little longer. Now I'll have to wait until we're in Heaven. I regret saying too little to the lonely man sharing a bench with me on a hot afternoon in Tampa. Now maybe he thinks he's invisible I regret saying too much to my little bother in nonsensical frustration Now maybe he thinks that I meant it. I regret opportunities missed to learn how to say "Jesus loves you" in Spanish Now maybe she'll never know. I regret not asking how to make homemade Dutch apple pie. Now my roommate and I will have to take study break trips to Waffle House I regret not remembering all of your names and at least one specific detail about you Now you won't know how glad I am that we're sharing the same school year

Janelle Chang

I regret not always noticing the pain in your eyes Now tonight you'll go on hurting. I regret not learning how to play the violin Now I'll just have to sing my future children to sleep I regret not having taken more pictures these last few years Now I'll have to rely on my memory. I regret not doing research about donating bone marrow. Now an extra person's on a waiting list. I regret not talking to wrong numbers that I've dialed. Now maybe some are still waiting for the phone to ring again

I regret hugs that could've been longer, encouragement that could've been stronger I regret faces without names and names without faces. I regret hurried meals and silent elevator rides with nothing soothing to say to erase the worry lines on surrounding foreheads I regret hunting for the perfect words to say at the peak of your sorrow and not thinking of them until it's too late. I regret that I won't meet some of you and share in your life and that we never get a second chance to relive yesterday. I regret that your picture may never find it's way into my college photo album and your name may never find its way into my prayers. I regret that I may never get to play with you, tell you that Jesus cradles you or sing a soothing lullaby I regret that I may never know your middle name, hear stories of your family or learn about the things that really scare you

I regret being too shy at times to ask you your name Encourage you Inspire you. Uplift you And I'd regret it if you thought that it was because I just didn't care . .

Janelle Chang is a senior broadcast journalism major from Florida.

This ain't 4th grade

Summer

Remember when you were in third grade and school let out for the summer? Remember the excitement? You knew that summer meant eating Lucky Charms at 10 in the morning, swimming in the neighborhood pool and having your friends over for weekly sleepovers Cartoons seemed to be on 24 hours a day and no one cared if you wasted your entire day in front of the television.

Heather Flynt

At the end of the summer you looked forward to coming back to school as a more mature fourth grader, sporting your bright pink Eastpak backpack and your brilliantly white L.A. Gears with the multi colored laces Wow! You were the stuff! And you couldn't wait to hang out with your friends again on a daily basis

Man, I wish I were in fourth grade again, but this certainly isn't elementary school

My summer? Two internships, two classes and one tremendous road trip to the West

I learned a lot this summer I learned the most valuable thing an internship can teach you is what you don't want to do when you grow up. I learned about Coulombs Law, how to build a circuit and other various Physics matters I learned what a great kid my little brother is. I learned running is never a solution to any problem and that home is one of the most comfortable places on earth.

This summer I hiked the Rockies, swam in the Atlantic and spent time building my future Instead of watching cartoons I promoted them. Instead of munching on cereal at 10 a m., I was lucky if I had time to grab a cup of coffee

Summer is a state of mind, not just a space in time Summer is about taking the time to breathe Summer doesn't have to end just yet.

Heather is a senior mass communications major from Florida

Our labor of love

Swollen, blood-shot eyes protrude from a gaunt and colorless face Tired feet drag along the sidewalk, barely managing each new step Limp arms drag an overstuffed backpack along the cement as the journey to Brock drags on.

It is Wednesday morning, and your new Accent editor has just finished another all-nighter preparing the Accent for press. Why, you ask, would a person go through such torture for a newspaper that maybe half the population of Southern, including the faculty, read?

Clearly, madness such as this must have a long list of convincing motivations Since the pay certainly doesn't make that list, here are a few suggestions about what might drive this operation of ours

My guess is the first motivator in this absorbing project is really very selfish—it's ego. Seldom would anyone complain about having his or her name in print week after week, no matter how limited the circulation. And this year, there's further motivation The Accent now has a circulation beyond the scope of Southern's campus. This year parents across the nation will be hanging on every word we write, hoping to catch some hint of their far-off offspring's fate.

Another motivation for some of us is perhaps a tiny bit less selfish Among our staff are many

Jolene Harrell

hopeful journalists and graphic designers, and everyone knows that experience in your future field is very highly valued resume material New York Times, here we come

At this point you are likely wondering how Southern's administration allowed such a group of egocentric maniacs to manage the "student voice" of our school But wait, there really is more.

I am not an official spokesperson for the Accent staff However, there is a great sense of pride that goes into producing a quality newspaper for you, our fellow students We want you to be able to read well-written stories about campus, local, national and world news every Thursday, whether or not you notice the by-lines. Of course, if you do notice, that's a great extra bonus.

So next time you see an Accent staffer stumbling down the sidewalk with glazed eyes and dragging feet on a Wednesday morning and the only greeting you get is a grunt, remember that this paper of ours really is a labor of love. And after a few more hours of sleep, our editor might even agree

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My advice to new students

So you are finally here, college, the big kahuna. Are you confused about your new surroundings? I know that I was when I first came to Southern, so I will do my best to keep you out of misfortune

It has taken me almost three years to learn to go to bed. There is no lights out, you can stay up all night if you want. Don't do it! You need your sleep If you don't get sleep you will be tired, cranky and about 20 IQ points dumber I know this from experience.

Don,t try to speed through Collegedale to get back on time. The Collegedale Police department knows when curfew is and they will be waiting for you Also, don't rush if the weather is bad I would much rather explain to a dean that I ran into a thunderstorm than explain to my Dad how I totaled my car

Walk to class Campus safety

Jonathan Geach

will give you a ticket if you try to drive.

One of the best things about Southern is the upper promenade Use it.

Be active. Sign up for intramurals. Southern is much more fun when you are involved. If helping others is your thing, go to the care office and sign up to help spiritually around campus. Other great ways to get involved are Gymmasters, orchestra, band, choir or any other group you would enjoy

Be nice to other people. It really isn't hard to be nice. It just takes practice. It is surprising how much better life is when you have a good attitude

Make friends with your teachers. Use those office hours they post. You will like your classes more and do better in them.

Well, I guess that is enough I could go on and on, but I won't. I hope you enjoy your time at Southern as much as I have Make the most of it. The time really does go by faster than you can imagine.

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The Southern Accent

FaithXpress

Monday, September 11, 2000

Question and answer

This introduces a column based on interaction with students' prayer requests, questions, ... commitments and ... No matter what style or ... the goal is for readers to ... themselves and ask God to ... changes in their life so they can grow in spiritual maturity.

Q: I'm a new Adventist and I used to be totally chained to bad music. I ditched all my old stuff after hearing a sermon. But now my life seems empty. The voice that music whispers in my soul is no longer there. I'm caught between my love for music and an inner conviction that much of what I like may be wrong. What do I do? -Melody Free

A: You are not alone. Many struggle with what some call "gray issues" — ones where the Bible seemingly does not tell us what to do. But God does not do all the thinking for us. We believe He's given us principles to live by and apply. Download these to your spiritual hard drive.

Principle #1: Music has a powerful spiritual influence. Music is a powerful medium of emotion and message that conveys ideas and values that can radically shape the journey of our faith. Some say we can listen to whatever we want because music does not affect us spiritually. But when David sang, the evil spirits fled Saul. When Israel rebelled at Sinai with the golden calf, the music was stomping. Col 3:16 says, "with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God."

Principle #2: Balance is a key. When the world views the church, they highlight the boring, irrelevant extremes. When the church views the world, they highlight the sinful, deceitful extremes. When we can't relate with someone, we usually emphasize the faults and avoid any common ground. That's human nature. Worldly music is often given a bad name by "gangsta rap" or the extreme rock bands that have sacrificed animals or cut themselves. Christian tradition is often given a bad name by out-dated hymns and 17th century music. Stay in the middle of the road. One pastor proverbially advises, "blessed are the balanced, for they shall outlive the rest."

Principle #3: Quality. We should listen to whatever is true and praiseworthy, noble and of good report (see Phil 4:8). Music is a delicate balance between rhythm, harmony and melody. Some styles emphasize one over the others. Some styles are more conducive to mental stability. But a heavier beat than has been is not necessarily bad, as long as it doesn't override the other elements.

Principle #4: Fruits of spirituality in the artists. Ultimately, the music is a medium of the message. But some artists worship the form as an end in itself, or obviously enjoy the god-like status of "pop-singers." A lifestyle of sex, drugs and spiritual deviance is a fruit to look for to tell between the true musical shepherds and the wolves. If they commit suicide, sacrifice chickens, have new spouses every month or simply ignore God, be gone. But if they are uplifting, support missions, promote a worship atmosphere directed at God, or call for commitment to Christ-centered principles, log on. Jesus said, "by their fruits you will know them" (Mt 7:20).

Principle #5: Sing a new song. Every major revival has spawned new methods of preaching and singing. Tradition is a major obstacle to passionate spirituality. "I will sing a new song" is a great way to capitalize on refreshed faith in Christ and His mission. Once you sing a song the 50th time, its message fails to engage with force. And change and reformation of practices and forms of worship have always been opposed. All these were opposed when they first hit the worship scene: organs, rhyming psalms, choirs, pianos, extemporaneous prayers, preaching without notes and more (Lectures on Revival and Religion, 255). If we want revival, we should anticipate and encourage new lyrics and new music.

An interview with Mike Fulbright: his life and his plans for the Third

by Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

Billy: Why a Third service? What makes it different?

Mike: The Collegedale Church wanted to offer an alternative worship service to the more traditional services already being offered. We wanted one that would be contextually relevant to meet the needs of younger Adventists. We also wanted to provide a place where worship is expressed through methodologies more readily understandable to the unchurched person. That's why we use drama, contemporary music and visual media.

We're certainly not trying to exclude anyone, however I would be thrilled to have a regular multigenerational audience. This doesn't have to be a worship service for the "younger generation."

Billy: Some people have said, as I'm sure you are aware, that this service is "superficial." How would you respond to those who are concerned that the Third is "watering down" the gospel?

Mike: I want to say from the get-go that I have no interest whatsoever in watering down the gospel. I do have an interest, however, in packaging the gospel in a relevant way so as to most effectively offend as many people as possible with the gospel of Jesus Christ. I want the gospel to offend, however, not the methodologies! Contemporary music, drama and visual media are tools to transmit a message. We work hard to make sure the tools or mediums don't get in the way of the message.

John Stott in his book *The Contemporary Christian* sums it up well when he says that the church is called to be double listeners; listeners to God's word and listeners to the culture. If we are listeners to the culture without being listeners of the word we compromise the gospel. On the other hand, however, if we are listeners of the Word without being listeners of the culture we can become irrelevant. I think we have to listen intently to both.

Billy: What can you tell our campus and community about yourself? As you begin to minister here for the first time, how would you introduce yourself?

Mike: Well, my handicap is definitely in the double digits. If I could just drive the ball without a slice I'd be ok.

Seriously, I grew up Adventist and I'm a product of the system. I don't consider that a bad thing by any means. I'm very proud of my Christian background and extremely proud to be an alumnus of, well, what was then called Southern College of Seventh-day Adventists. You know you're getting old when your alma mater now has a different name. I did the Seminary thing at Andrews and then was an associate pastor for six and a half years at the Florida Hospital SDA Church in Orlando, Florida.

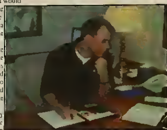
I'm very close to my family. I have two sisters and a brother who live near my parents in Orlando. I also have a four year old nephew and a 3 week old niece. Both are to die for, by the way. Although I miss them, coming to Collegedale has not been a difficult transition. I'm really very, very excited to be here.

Billy: I understand you left professional ministry for about three years.

Mike: Yeah, I did. I tried professional health care. But I didn't feel fulfilled in it. But it was a good experience for me. It made me re-explore the whole concept of calling. That has been incredibly valuable.

Billy: What is a major lesson you are learning as you begin your new ministry?

Mike: God has been teaching me a lot of things, like attention to detail, patience and persistence. But the biggest thing I'm learning after being out of professional ministry is that this is where I belong. Not only do I feel that God has brought me back to full time ministry but I feel He's brought me here to Collegedale as well. Did I already say that I'm really jazzed to be here? Oh, ok.



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Mike Fulbright, young adult pastor, studies in his office

Billy: What can students do to get involved in the Third?

Mike: Call me. Call Tina Smith. Call Ingrid Skantz. Don't be afraid to pick up the phone! My office number is 396-2134. You can also check out our booth during SAU's Week of Spiritual Emphasis. We'll have opportunities and roles there for people to sign up for. There are many ways to participate and serve. We'd love to know your passions and talents. And we do think outside the box. We are also exploring, along with the CARE office, possibilities for a major community service project in Summit and a young adult mission trip within the next year. You'll hear more about that in the next couple of months at The Third. I am a firm believer in the priesthood of all believers. Everybody has passions and talents to use for God. And in the words of Victor Chures. Czerer. how do you spell his name?

Anyway, there's no better time than now.

The Third meets every Sabbath at 10:15am in the Gym. It is followed by the young adult Sabbath school, Exchange, in the seminar room of the Church at 11:30.

Life changing truth

by Eric Wilcox
Special to the Accent

It was Spring of '99. I was searching for life changing truth. I had also been asking God for a Christian companion. At the beginning of spring break my prayers were answered. I met my soul mate, the woman with whom I just know I will spend the rest of my life.

One day while we were having devotions, she asked me a question about my church doctrine. I thought to myself, "What church uses a club rule book or manual?" I said the Bible. Because I was a first day worshipper, I had never known of the Seventh-day Adventist message. The Scriptures that the Holy Spirit instructed her to show me were full of simple truth and called for life change. In December I was baptized into the Adventist family. Here my knowledge of Adventism increased. I was a senior in high school who was counting down to graduation. I had already enlisted for the United States Navy because I did not know what God's plan was for me. But a month before graduation I received an honorable discharge from the navy. So here I am now, learning about Christ at SOUTHERN ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY so I can serve Him full time in ministry.

Upon entering SAU, I feel like I'm in heaven. I know our school is not perfect, but the atmosphere is awesome. I really give thanks to my Lord and God for letting me become a part of His kingdom, and I pray and hope that I will be able to make SAU my home for the next four years.

Log into God

by Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

"Too many religious institutions have been proclaiming a powerless Jesus for far too long. No wonder this swiftly tilting planet is largely losing its religion as it embraces anything and everything else that projects power. An unplugged Jesus is not only boring and lifeless. He is just generally not worth worshipping or worrying about when many other things on Planet Distraction are plugged in and playing at full bore, full time, and more" (God cum by James Langteaux, 127).

In my estimation, plastic religion is more boring than an unplugged play-station. Even if it is fresh out the store, kids will not fall for such a bore. Many of us wander through profession but never initialize the God of action. Our hearts have never intimately experienced faith and confession.

But to start this year with a spiritual revolution, let me give you the world wide Word's solution: Log on with God. If we follow God's directing we can lose the facade. "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God" (1 Cor 1:18, NKJ).

Southern is not a regular campus, producing unbelieving actors. No matter if you are studying biology or theology, interactive media or psychology, if you are not logged on to God through the cross, your degree is counted for loss. Is all this education worth the price? Consider what Paul said, "I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so I may have Christ" (Phil 3:8, NLT).

The answer to the question, "Why am I here?," is not as complicated as physics and nuclear combustion. Simply stated, Word propagated, the answer is as simple as loving people - and first loving God. To jump this doubt fence, to bring life from the dead, and get the most from Southern's experience, log on with God.

New Places, New Faces

by Zana Yi
Special to the Accent

Well we're off. It's the end of another summer and the beginning of another school year. For some of you this is a major transition — new place, new faces and maybe you're housed in an interesting location in what used to be a dean's office or some ... house off campus. It's been somewhat of a transition for me, too. I'm up here in the Campus Ministries office sitting behind a desk trying to get used to a new job. Last year, I was student, and now I have a fantastic looking ID card that identifies me as "Staff" (Man, even the ID cards look different this year! Weird.) This card gives me all kinds of unique privileges. For example, I now have 24-hour access to the vending machine room across the hall. This alone makes 4 years of college education worth it!

You're probably asking what Campus Ministries does. We actually do quite a number of things: organize a lot of the religious programs on campus, coordinate Student Missions, Destiny Drama ... and facilitate many of the student ministries on and off campus. In fact, you're probably seeing signs for commitment week ... around campus this week. Do ... Play an instrument? Got a ... idea? Teach? Preach? Let us ... We want to help you get involved.

J. ?ike Mason (I have no idea who this is) once said: "I have enough money to last me the rest of my life, unless I buy something." I'm pretty sure many of you feel the same. After visiting the Student Finance Office, buying an armload of dynamic reading for the semester, and paying off your minimum to the café, money is a scarce commodity. We've heard the advice since we were kindergartners, "A penny saved is a penny earned." Ironically, one of the wisest men that ever lived gives us this advice: "Give generously, for your gifts will return to you later" (Ecclesiastes 11:1 TLB). Now, I'm not writing this article in this to ask you for money (although you could bring your VISA, Mastercard, or American Express up here anytime!), but, I think there's something to Solomon's adage. As believers, we're called to give of ourselves; maybe not money, but our time, talents, emotions, and energy. I find it tempting at times to try to hoard these gifts that God has given me. But as usual, God asks and when we give, He returns those gifts a hundred fold. By getting involved, giving a little, you receive so much more in return—new friends, memories, and best of all, you grow in your walk with Jesus.

Well anyway, we're excited, excited about a new year, excited that all of you are here. There seems to be a buzz in the air. We here in the Campus Ministries office want to extend a warm welcome to you. We're looking forward to meeting you and seeing you around. I hope that you'll come around and visit us up in the Student Center sometime. (Seriously, this give us something to do, other than checking our e-mail every 5 minutes.)

Hope to see you soon!

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SEPTEMBER 16, 2000

COLLEGEDALE CHURCH
9:00 & 11:00

OOLTEWAH
8:55 & 11:25

THE 3RD
10:15

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APISON
11:00

HAMILTON COMMUNITY CHURCH
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IN THE NEWS

Washington (Reuters) - Congress pressed Firestone and Ford Tuesday to release all documents relating to the deadly tire failures as the tiremaker conceded its design, combined with variations in manufacturing, may have caused some of the tire tread separation problems.

Space - U.S. and Russian astronauts from the space shuttle Atlantis opened the doors, turned on the lights, sniffed the air, then went to work making the 13-story International Space Station into something resembling a home on Tuesday.

Politics - President Clinton's landmark trade pact with China hung in the balance on Tuesday, as the Senate neared a do-or-die vote on a plan to impose sanctions on Beijing for its alleged role in weapons proliferation.

Nation - Attorney General Janet Reno, who presented the report's findings at a briefing, said the statistics were cause for concern, and acknowledged that a similar racial disparity exists throughout the U.S. criminal justice system.

Moscow (Reuters) - President Vladimir Putin has approved a sweeping document setting out guidelines on information security, according to Russia's Security Council. One official said the plans could herald changes to the country's media laws.

United Nations (Reuters) -Sierra Leone said on Tuesday it believed anti-government rebels would be well on the way to defeat and urged British forces to stay in the warring African country to help "finish the job" of restoring peace.

Health - Eat les and better to live to 120? The notion that humans may live 50 percent longer if they eat less is extrapolated from work with animals. Results have been so promising that the National Institute on Aging (NIA) now spends $3 million a year to study caloric restriction, mostly in rats and monkeys.

London (Reuters) - Much of Europe faced another day of chaos on Wednesday due to fuel shortages and road blocks, and while a handful of petrol tankers began to roll again in Britain, Ireland and Spain were threatened with new action.

WEATHER

Collegedale: Thursday will continue to be warm with sunshine and patchy clouds.

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Southern steps up in ranking

Southern joins Walla Walla as only Adventist colleges in second tier

By Jason Arnold
News Editor

Southern climbed in the U.S. News and World Report Best Colleges Rankings this year, reclaiming a second tier ranking.

Every year U.S. News and World Report ranks colleges and universities across the nation. They name the top 25 colleges in each region and then rank the rest of the colleges in three more levels, or tiers.

Last year Southern dropped to tier three after holding a ranking in tier two for the past three years.

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This year the administrations took more time in preparing the figures to send to U.S. News and World Report.

Last year's drop was partially due to a lack of financial information given to the magazine.

Vinita Sauder, vice president for marketing and enrollment services, said there was a database problem last year that impeded the school in sending any financial information to U.S. News and World Report. This year the school was able to send all the necessary financial information.

Part of the ranking process is a reputation ranking, in which all the colleges and universities in a certain region receive

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Teacher evaluations received typed and handwritten

By Kyle Baldwin
Assistant News Editor

Some students may feel indifferent and others intimidated by teacher evaluations, but teachers and faculty encourage students to express their opinions.

Although students may feel stressed knowing their opinion may affect how a class is taught. teachers reiterate that evaluations are the best way for them to learn of the students' objections or approval.

Mari-Carmen Gallego, a professor in the foreign language department, encourages students to comment on the evaluations.

"Evaluations help the teacher know what to improve. I think that comments should be written," Gallego said.

Teacher evaluations are handled differently by each student.

"I don't feel like it's going to make a difference what one kid thinks," said Jeshua Hinton, sophomore religious education major.

Joe LaCom, a sophomore art education major, added, "For me it really doesn't matter, but I can see how it might help the teacher."

Although students feel their input is not important, Dr. George Babcock, vice president of academic administration, said that student input is taken seriously.

On a few occasions, while it was the last resort, teachers have been "let go" due to negative feedback, Babcock said.

Some students worry that what they write will adversely affect their relationship with the teacher. They fear their true may cause problems if they have the teacher for a class in the future.

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Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer

A hot summer day

Elizabeth Caballos feeds her popsicle to her dog Delilah at last Sabbath's lawn concert as her father, George Caballos, watches. The lawn concert is sponsored by Campus Ministries and is held behind Talge Hall every year. Students perform songs through singing or playing instruments. During the concert Campus Ministries passed out popsicles to the crowd in hopes to cool them down.

Indoor card readers in Talge on hiatus

Security upgraded elsewhere

By Daniel Olson
Senior News Reporter

The residents and deans in Talge Hall may be tired of waiting for indoor card readers, but they still have a long wait until the readers are installed.

There are other security measures that take priority, said Eddie Avant, director of Campus Safety.

"Dwight Magers [dean of men] wants it badly, and I want to provide it for him," Avant said.

Campus Safety's plan is to upgrade security by installing indoor ID card readers that would allow all the doors except the front door to be locked at 7 p.m., but students could enter through any door until 10 p m. by using their activated ID card.

But the readers are not installed yet - to the advantage of the Talge residents, as all doors are unlocked until 11 p.m. now.

"The installation of the indoor ID card readers in Talge is still fifth on the priority list," Avant said.

Priorities ahead of Talge Hall include upgrading security in the following locations: Spalding Elementary, the art department, Herrin computer lab and Motor Pool.

An upgraded system for card activation was needed, but Southern was unable to purchase a new system until July. The new system is a significant upgrade, as each card reader is a security point, and the new system will increase the number of security points available from 128 to 1200.

The card-key system arrived, but plans to install the system on August 11 in a secure area in Information Systems were delayed. Henry Hicks, executive director of IS, asked for a postponement as he was swamped with new telephone installation and upgrading Ethernet. IS also lost its associate director, John Beckett, to the School of Computing.

The rooms on A-B-C wing in Talge do have a different lock. The new TESALOCK system uses one's ID card to unlock the door. The new system was installed in Brock Hall and Daniels Hall also.

Avant said the new security is a foreshadowing of the future.

"We are moving into the next levels of security - closed-circuit television," Avant said. He added they are looking for six practical spots to install the closed-circuit televisions, which could be monitored from the Campus Safety office.

Southern alumni lead public relations department

By Jason Arnold
News Editor

Many students may not realize what goes on behind the doors of Southern's Public Relations department. Most probably don't even know the department has new directors.

Rob Howell and Garrett Nudd have teamed-up to run the PR department at Southern.

Howell, director of public relations, was public relations supervisor for McKee Foods prior to signing on with Southern.

Nudd, assistant director of public relations, was formerly publications coordinator at the corporate headquarters of Life Care Centers of America.

Howell, a Southern alumnus, said he came back because he "missed the academic environment and wanted to try some not-for-profit work."

Nudd, a 2000 graduate of Southern, said he stayed because he had a "positive experience socially, academically, and spiritually." He said he wants to promote this experience to potential students.

During Howell's employment with McKee Foods, he served as a loaned executive for United Way. He was loaned for 10 weeks to help other companies promote their United Way campaigns.

Both Howell and Nudd have goals for this year.

Commonly they both want to promote Southern to the surrounding community.

Individually they have other plans

Howell said he wants both the community and Southern students to understand the impact the students have on the surrounding area.

"I want people to recognize the significance of my education when I say I graduated from Southern," Howell said.

Nudd said he would ultimately like to promote Southern not just locally but in the worldwide Adventist community as the best place to grow academically, emotionally, and spiritually.

Howell added that students know Southern is an awesome University, he is just going to tell a few more.

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Rob Howell, left, and Garrett Nudd, right, both Southern graduates are the new director and assistant director of public relations.

School of Visual Art and Design gets new computer lab

By Chris Louis
Staff Writer

A plethora of changes have taken place in the art department over the past summer and tuition costs are at the forefront.

Each semester art students will be charged a $500 lab fee for the cost and upkeep of departmental equipment and supplies.

Many students are satisfied with the new changes and find the art department to be more user friendly this year.

This year any art student can log onto any computer and gain access to their own animation programs, portfolios, and various other files.

Junior animation major, Nathan Pizar said, "We have to keep current and that's not cheap."

The Art department purchases goods that will be consumed and eventually replaced such as film stock, lighting supplies, and a multitude of other art materials, Pizar said.

"I feel that the new equipment and lab fees give students a greater sense of ownership, resposibility, and familiarity. I definitely feel like I'm gettin'" Pizar said.

While most art students are content with the new changes, some remain less enthusiastic.

"I'm glad the art department is progressing, but at the same time it's negative for those of us who aren't animation or graphic art majors. They are the only ones who receive direct benefits from the money put in," junior art major Rachel Komorowski said.

Although not everyone senses the benefits, the resounding sentiment heard from most is that the art department must keep up with technology in order to prepare students for the current standard of their craft.

Wayne Hazen, Dean of the School of Visual Art and Design said, "There is a certain amount of upkeep necessary, if we are to keep pace with changing technology."

Lab fees were the only means by which the department could afford to upgrade their facilities.

The upgrade included a network with a terabyte of storage space, and enlarged Intergraph lab, and a new film

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Ranking

a survey asking them to rank other institutions in their region based on reputation.

In order to increase Southern's reputation score, letters were sent to most of the other schools in the southern region to introduce those schools to Southern, Sauder said. Advertisements were also placed in Time Magazine, U.S. News and World Report, Sports Illustrated and NewsWeek.

Sauder said the advertisements were a iregional buy,i meaning the advertisements will only be printed in magazines in the southern region. The cost of regional buying is less than the cost of placing one advertisement in the Adventist Review, Sauder said.

Students feel the recognition is good for the school, and for them.

"It's nice to know that Southern is recognized outside of the Adventist community," said Susie Behm, a senior mass communications major.

Gordon Bietz, university president, warns that these rankings are not always a true representation of the value of a school.

"Very few numbers are compared in this ranking and those numbers are not always what reflect the value of a school," Bietz said. "For one thing, our spiritual focused mission is not considered."

When asked if the return to a tier two ranking has any effect on enrollment, Bietz answered, "There is a great deal that can't be easily reduced to numbers that determine the value of a person's education.

Bietz added, "I don't know of any students who chose Southern or any other school based on these rankings."

It took some work for Southern to climb back to tier two. But Sauder said she would like to see Southern on top, and "maybe someday we'll get there."

Evaluations

However, when comments are turned into his office that contain "constructive criticism" they are typed and then returned to the teachers, Babcock said.

Babcock said that while teachers appreciate favorable comments, they really "don't help you grow."

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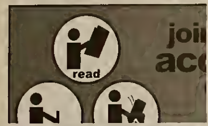
studio.

"The results are wonderful," Hazen said. "I think the students will definitely benefit from this."



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Off-campus housing to get internet connections

By Judy Prosser
Staff Writer

Students living in off-campus housing should have access to Southern's Internet connection by the end of the month.

Information systems plans to install wireless Internet in all off-campus housing.

Henry Hicks, executive director of information systems, said that the school is planning on using the wireless Internet for the new student apartments currendy being built. That is why the school has decided to go ahead and install antennas on the roof of all additional student housing this year.

A large antenna will be erected on campus and the antennas on each house will point directly toward it. This will allow everyone in the house to access the school's Internet connections. The Internet connections is expected to run at about the same speed as those in the dorms.

Students living in off-campus housing are frustrated witht the lack of accessibility to the Internet.

"It has been stressful to not have a computer accessible to me at my home," said Tabitha Whitlow, junior elementary education major..

U. Florida alumnus killed in West Timor militia attack

By Sarah Myrick
Independent Florida Alligator

(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. – University of Florida alumnus Carlos Caceres knew what he wanted to do in life – he wanted to help people. He wanted to help people learn about different cultures – and instead of accentuating the differences, he wanted to find common links between all cultures.

Caceres, 33, died Wednesday in West Timor in a United Nations compound after it was stormed by Indonesian-backed militiamen. Caceres, a U.N. worker who graduated from UF with a journalism degree in the Spring of 1988, was working for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Atambua, West Timor.

Caceres was providing humanitarian assistance to an estimated 90,000 East Timorese refugees housed in West Timor camps. UF journalism professor Leonard Tipton will not soon forget Caceres sitting in his news editing class.

Tipton said to those around him, it seemed Caceres was much more interested in being an activist than being a reporter.

"He already knew that he didn't want to be a journalist," Tipton said. "He wanted to be a crusader of some sort." "(He was) very quiet, very slender," he said. "He seemed almost fragile." Tipton said he received e-mails and letters from Caceres after he graduated from UF and earned a law degree at Cornell. "He had this sense that he was going to save the world," Tipton said.

"It was clear when he was a student what kind of career he was headed for."

Caceres' family is puzzled by his death and wants to know why the workers were not evacuated from the region. "We knew there was danger, but he would always reassure us," Caceres' sister, Elba Caceres, said Sunday

"He was very intelligent and dedicated. He liked to help people. "He had friends everywhere," she said. "Wherever he went, he met people." Elba Caceres said her brother had many goals in life and was very adventurous.

"He didn't want to go to a 9 to 5 office ... he wanted more," she said. Elba Caceres said he loved learning new things.

"He loved different cultures," she said. "He adapted quickly."

Caceres' father is confused by his son's death. "One of the questions I have for the United Nations – and I spoke to them ... He (Caceres) knew he was in danger, and he told me he was going to be evacuated. What happened?" said his father, Gregorio Caceres. Caceres' father said a Geneva official of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees told him the United Nations had evacuated its workers two weeks earlier and only sent them back after the Indonesian government promised its soldiers would ensure their safety. The violence in Timor, a mountainous island in Indonesia, has steadily escalated.

Last year, East Timor was plagued by violence after a controversial independence referendum. Militias supported by the Indonesian government destroyed much of the territory. It was then that many East Timorese fled to the west side of the island seeking refuge. U.N. officials said Friday that they thought militiamen in Betun, 30 miles south of Atambua, killed 20 villagers.

Tipton said he did not know Caceres was in West Timor, and that he was saddened to hear the news.

"It's just too bad it had to end this way," he said.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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Prayer on the football field a free speech sin

By Elizabeth Wershan
Badger Herald

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. – Oh dear. The public school district of Santa Fe, Texas, went all the way to the Supreme Court to fight for high school students' right to say prayers over the school P.A. system before kickoff at football games.

Yes, I said public school district. The defendants claim that their First Amendment rights to practice their religion (in this case Baptist) freely are being violated. The plaintiffs on the other hand – Christians themselves – claim that broadcasting prayers at a public function excludes students of other religions and flies in the face of separation of church and state. What we have here is a clash of the constitutional titans if ever there was one. Here is my problem though – Who gave the Santa Fe School District the right to declare that God is not only Baptist, but also a football fan?

Now before you rush to the computer lab and fire off an angry e-mail to the editor, I would like to point out that I am a veteran of religious school. I attended Lutheran preschool and Catholic kindergarten, grade school and high school. That comes to a grand total of 16 years of Christian education. Yes, we had prayer in school. Yes, we had football. But did we ever have a prayer broadcast over the P.A. at a football game? Not even once.

There was prayer in the morning and at the end of the day, broadcast over the school P.A. In grade school, there was even a class prayer before lunch. But never in the entire 16 years that I was surrounded by all this praying did I hear even one Our Father before a football game, a basketball game or even a heated game of table tennis. Why? Well, I cannot speak for the administrators of any of my schools, but I would guess that it seemed silly. I don't think it even crossed the minds of the spectators to have a pregame prayer.

But back to Texas. The Supreme Court ruled that pregame prayers were not allowed back in July. However, some students and families from the area thought the ruling was wrong, so they tried to arrange a demonstration for the first game of the year in September. However, the protest fell flat when only 200 people attempted to recite the Our Father over the announcer's introduction of the visiting team.

As many as 10,000 were expected to join the prayer protest, which organizers believed would have overpowered the announcer, despite his use of the P.A. system. I think the poor participation should prove to the organizers and defendants alike that not everyone in their small Texas town believes in their cause.

I wonder about the spirituality of the defendants in this case, whose allies have harassed those students who have come out against the prayer policy. They accused a Mormon student of being in a cult and physically assaulted Catholic students. How can these people, who claim to want a religious element in their school events, be violent toward other Christians simply because they disagree? They show to[...] disregard for people [...] other faiths.

While it is true that s[...] dents are not required [...] participate in the pray[...] to say the least, t[...] atmosphere is fairly co[...] cive. I am not saying th[...] prayer should be forb[...] den in the world of sport[...] If players decide to hold [...] prayer as a team, if th[...] want to pray on an in[...] vidual basis or even [...] small groups, we shou[...] not stop them.

However, if they try [...] force unwilling membe[...] of the team to participa[...] in the prayer, they are v[...] lating the First Amen[...] ment. I will even go so [...] as to support individua[...] in the crowd saying a p[...] sonal prayer for the tea[...] but as for attempting [...] sanctify the whole eve[...] with a public prayer, [...] have to ask, "Why?"

What purpose does [...] serve? Do we expect G[...] to support one team ov[...] the other in every lit[...] football game that tak[...] place in this country? [...] we expect God to wat[...] the football game w[...] interest? Is God on t[...] edge of His seat, Pabst-[...] hand, shouting obsce[...] ties at the referees?

I think spectators thi[...] way too much of th[...] own influence on the o[...] come of a football gam[...] And the spectators [...] Santa Fe, Texas, thi[...] way too much of th[...] own perceptions of G[...] Maybe God does not li[...] having to listen to [...] these prayers for footb[...] success. Maybe Santa [...] is interrupting God wh[...] he watches "Providen[...] every Friday night. [...] just as likely as pub[...] prayer being crucial [...] the outcome of a hi[...] school football game.

Some Southern high schools are disobeying Supreme Court praye[r] ruling

By Scott Josephson
The Diamondback

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. – The lights go up, the national anthem has just ended and as the players prepare to take the field, 4,000 voices join in the Lord's Prayer, echoing a controversy that has been brewing since June.

In Santa Fe, Texas, a student's family sued the Santa Fe Independent School District because students invoked prayers before the football game. After being appealed repeatedly, the case reached the Supreme Court.

In June of this year, the Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that school-sponsored prayer before football games was unconstitutional because it violates the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment, which stipulates the separation of church and state.

"The Constitution demands that schools not force on students the difficult choice between whether to attend these games or to risk facing a personally offensive religious ritual," according to the majority opinion released by the Court.

However, as the football season begins around the nation, some high schools in the South are openly protesting the Court's decision through both legal and illegal means.

In Mississippi, where numerous protests have broken out, N.Z. Bryant, deputy director of the Mississippi High School Association, remained cautious about the situation, but maintained that he intended to follow the law.

"We support the law, although we don't agree with it," Bryant said in a statement to USA Today.

Last week the controversy returned to the place where it began with a group called No Pray, No Play. The group said that it would lead a 10,000 person prayer rally at the opening football game between Santa Fe and Hitchcock high schools.

Kody Shed, No Pray, No Play director, said his group will distribute leaflets to all game attendees, and that these kind of prayer rallies will be held all over Texas.

"Our leaflets are to encourage people to say the Lord's Prayer as soon as the National Anthem ends," Shed said. "I don't know of a school in Texas where this won't be happening."

The Anti-Oefamation League, an organization devoted to fighting anti-Semitism and bigotry, was quick to denounce this as an effort to promote Christian prayer and as insensitive to religious minorities.

"This effort und[...] mines the Supre[...] Court's efforts to prot[...] the religious liberties [...] all students," Leag[...] spokeswoman D[...] Marks said in an offi[...] statement from the AD[...]

University of Maryla[...] students seemed to ag[...] with the opinion t[...] prayer was accepta[...] when done privately. [...] it should not have a pl[...] in public schools.

"Whether to pray [...] not should be a pers[...] own decision, but ther[...] a separation betw[...] church and state," A[...] Oiamond, a sophom[...] letters and scien[...] major, said. "People [...] pray, but they should [...] mindful to respect oth[...] and not try to bring it i[...] a public school setting [...]

Saturday's prayer r[...] in Santa Fe only drew [...] few hundred peo[...] besides the crow[...] attending the high sch[...] game, but parties on b[...] sides feel that the cont[...] versy is far from over.

"We took an issue [...] the Supreme Court, th[...] ruled on it and said 'No[...] Bridget Louivier, a spec[...] tor at the game said to t[...] Houston Chronicle. "T[...] school board came hom[...] turned around and sta[...] ed right back to talki[...] about prayer in t[...] schools."

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Elusive young voters could swing election

Alda Aguilar
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(U-WIRE) CARBONDALE, ...l. — If Al Gore or George W. ...sh appear on the television ...reen while Neal Luecking is ...tching a program, he ...anges the channel.

Luecking, a Southern Illinois ...iversity sophomore in sociol...y, has not listened to the pres...ential candidates' campaign ...omises and does not know ...ther of their positions on ...sues. Luecking has decided to ...t vote in the November presi...ntial election

He is not the only one in his ...neration who isn't voting. ...ghteen to 24-year-olds are the ...mographic group least likely ... vote in the United States, a ...untry already plagued by dis...st in government and low ...ter turnout.

Statistics released by Project ...te Smart showed that 24 per...nt of all potential voters aged ...-24 did not trust any level of ...vernment, with only 9 per...nt claiming they trusted the ...deral government.

The study also showed that ...ile 65 percent intend to reg...er to vote, 45 percent say they ...ll definitely vote. In 1996, only ... percent actually cast a ballot.

... SIUC students are an exam... of low participation. In the ...98 election, all local precincts ...minated by college students ...owed less than 40 percent ...ned out to vote. In Precincts ... and 26, mainly student ...cincts, turnout by registered ...ters was 11 percent.

Laura Arnold, assistant pro...sor of political science, said ... low turnout could be explained, in part, by the mobile nature of college students. Since students are usually living in Carbondale on a temporary basis, they may not be motivated to register or vote.

But candidates need to be more tangible, Arnold said

"It seems to be hard for those active in politics to show young people how important government is to young people's lives."

Barb Brown, an SIUC lecturer in political science and a Democratic Party activist, said candidates need to do a better job of gearing their message to young voters

Too often, Brown said, campaigns tout a message to older voters. Young people don't vote until they pay taxes for a few years or have children in public schools and realize what a direct influence government has.

Luecking said he thinks candidates ignore issues that are important to young people. He said candidates only cater to the issues that concern the special interest groups that donate money.

"Until campaigns do not rely upon corporate fundraising and expensive marketing tactics to 'sell' their issues, I will not be attracted to a candidate," Luecking said.

WHAT IS BEING DONE

The Project Vote Smart survey showed that issues young people care about most are completely opposite of older people. Top-rated concerns by 18 to 25 year olds were jobs, the economy, wages and education. Older voters focused on Social Security and health care as their primary concerns

This issue disparity has created YouthVote 2000, a nonpartisan organization of more than 60 national groups dedicated to convincing the presidential candidates to debate about youth issues in an event moderated by young people.

Several groups have made it their mission to motivate young people to vote

MTV's Choose or Lose is an attempt to get political news to young people in a more hip, youth-oriented way.

Even the World Wrestling Federation has joined the cause. Smackdown Your Vote! is a combined effort between WWF Entertainment Inc., MTV's Choose or Lose and Project Vote Smart. The group was formed to encourage debates, register voters and increase political participation among young people. WWF's flamboyant wrestlers have celebrity status, and are using it in an attempt to make politics more "fun."

Russell Simmons, co-founder of Def Jam Records and marketer of groups like Public Enemy and Beastie Boys, has started the group Rap the Vote 2000 in an attempt to get young people involved using his influence with the hip-hop generation to gather interest.

The presidential candidates are trying, too. Both candidates have realized how useful it can be to use their young, attractive family members.

Karenna Gore Schiff, Al Gore's oldest daughter, has hit the campaign trail attempting to win people over for her dad. A campaign adviser, she is in charge of Gorenet, a campaign solely geared toward young people

George W. Bush is using his nephew, George P. Bush, son of Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, front and center among young people, trying to woo votes for his uncle. George P. spoke at the Republican National Convention and on the campaign trail

But these efforts fall short in the eyes of some people

Luecking said these attempts at getting young people involved are just another marketing ploy by the campaigns, and a "baby step" toward an honest and sincere appeal to young people.

Rick Carsley, a junior in cinema and photography, agrees and said programs like MTV's Choose or Lose are "lame."

"People our age don't care. We aren't affected by the decisions that some 50-year-old congressman makes. And if we aren't informed, they shouldn't try to get us to vote," Carsley said.

Carsley suggests a voting age of 25 would be better, arguing that young people would care more the older they become.

WHY THE VOTES MATTER

Mike Lawrence, associate director of the Public Policy Institute, said young people are mistaken when they think government is irrelevant to them.

Lawrence said lawmakers make policies about how people drive, how much they pay in taxes, how much money will be avialable for higher education and other issues that influence a student's daily life.

Lawrence said every vote counts in an election.

Gore and Bush are now in a tight race; and with less than two months before election day, the heat is on. In this horse-race atmosphere, swing voters can determine the winner, and the 26 million 18-to-24-year olds could be an important swing group

Lawrence used the 1960 presidential election between John F Kennedy and Richard Nixon as an example. Illinois was a crucial state in Kennedy's victory and he won by an average of one vote pee precinct.

Arnold agreed that if young voters turn out in full force, they could definitely play a major role in deciding the next president.

"Young people don't influence the electoral process the way they should or could," Arnold said "There is no question that if we see increased participation in young people voting, candidates will have to change the way they run for office."

Brown agrees, and said that a big turnout could completely change an expected outcome.

"Many people have predictions, and think young people are going to do what they have always done — stay home," Brown said. "Young people could completely change that expectation."

IBM launches college hiring program

—Sept. 11, 2000—

IBM Microelectronics is heading back to school this week, launching the most aggressive college-hiring program in its history. The division's nationwide recruiting campaign is expected to fill more than 600 new job openings for electrical engineers, chemical engineers, materials scientists, RF circuit designers and many other critical positions needed to support its growing networking technology business.

To help meet the customer and business requirements of its expanding microchip operation, IBM recruiters are swiftly spreading out to educational institutions across the country with a mission to attract hundreds of qualified candidates into the company's technical ranks. The recruiters will be accompanied by special ambassadors - employees hired during last year's recruiting campaign - who are armed with a unique peer-to-peer perspective of the IBM employment experience.

"Supporting the growth of our communications technologies business is critical," said Catherine Keim, recruiting program coordinator for IBM Microelectronics. "We also want to spread the word that IBM is a great place to work. IBM offers a rare opportunity for entry-level engineers and scientists to work on the cutting edge of chip technology development with world-class leaders in the field."

New college hires will have an opportunity to immediately contribute to technology innovations such as the bandwidth allocation technology (BAT) IBM introduced today to help improve the quality and speed of information traveling across networks like the Internet.

Demand for the IBM's industry-leading semiconductor technologies such as copper interconnect and silicon germanium (SiGe) has exploded. The company's year-old networking technology business-driven by custom logic (ASIC) growth and rapid acceptance of its network processor chips-has doubled over the last year. Additionally, IBM's worldwide Communications Research and Development Center (CRDC) is also spearheading major semiconductor advancements

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...nternet makes stealing ...erm papers easy as ...opy and paste

Mara Cha...
...Kent Stater

(U-WIRE) KENT, Ohio — ...san Lord didn't suspect any...ing as she graded a student's ...ne Eyre" paper for her fresh...n composition class. Correct ...ammar, decent punctuation ...d a clear thesis. She gave it a ...

Halfway through grading ... stack, however, she started ...ding the same paper.

"It started out being similar ...rasings, then the same sen...nces and even the same ...otes from the text," she said. ... was very blatant. I was just ...aking."

Two of Lord's students had ...ieved the paper from the ...ernet and turned in the same ...e. She said the Internet sur...sed her when she learned ...out thousands of other ...pers available online.

"Jane Eyre" is just one exam...

A NEW BREED OF ...HEATERS

Over the past five years, the ...ternet has emerged as a ...eater's dream machine and a ...ofessor's worst nightmare. ...s because of a variety of sites ...at give students access to ...ure papers for a low fee — ...metimes, even for free.

Sites like www.school...cks.com and ...w.cheater.com have become ...re popular for students who ...'t feel like writing papers. ...uck Mullins, chief executive ...ficer and creator of Col...eTermPapers.com, said his ... receives approximately ...,000 hits a day.

"Students want help writing their term papers," he said. "It has nothing to do with ethics, as it is not unethical to use our site to gather ideas and information for writing papers."

Educators, however, say many students are doing more than just gathering ideas they're abusing the sites.

Don McCabe, who heads the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University, said the sites are spawning more cheaters. He said the omnipresence of the Internet makes cheating more accessible and tempting.

"There is a new breed of cheaters because of the Internet," he said. "A large number of people had resisted that temptation previously. Now, the Internet is everywhere."

HIDDEN CASES

Kent State University Judicial Affairs dealt with at least two case of academic dishonesty last semester. Judicial Officer Jack Scott said more incidents could have occurred.

"Just because we don't hear of it doesn't mean it is not happening," he said.

Last semester the English department dealt with an incident in which four students in the same class turned in similar papers from the Internet. Chair Susanna Fein said professors are more aware of the issue. She said she plans to discuss with professors the Internet's plagiarism possibilities.

"I think everybody's looking for it and hoping not to find it," she said. "It's never a happy case to for a professor to find out a student has cheated."

Despite the cleverness of the Internet, Fein said most professors are keyed into ways to nail plagiarists

"I don't think you can easily fool any English professor," she said. "Plagiarism has been something that [we] are vigilant about."

Kent State junior Rhea Gray also usually avoids the Internet when writing papers. One time, she said she grabbed information and ran it by her professor. The information turned out to be false

"I've been tempted because it's an easy way to get out of all the stress a paper puts on me," said Gray, a recreation management major. "I've read some papers to get a better idea, but you can't trust them all."

GUILTLESS

McCabe, who recently completed a 10-year study on cheating trends, said retrieving papers from the Internet doesn't give students the same sense of guilt. Their cheating habits reflect the moral decline of society, he said. While some students are stressing, for example, he said they are seeing others have fun.

"They think, 'If them, why not me? It's OK, it's only a paper,'" McCabe said.

However, sites can also strip students of learning information, said junior Matt Donowick, an anthropology major.

"I . . . moan about [writing papers] all the time," he said, "but once I'm done I know that I learned something."

Still, Mullins said his site, which was launched in April 1999, is meant to serve as a resource and that "the number of students who use these papers inappropriately is small compared to the number who use it appropriately.

"If teachers showed students how to use it properly, there would be no problem."

If anything, Mullins said his site helps educators catch plagiarizers.

"Any teacher can find these papers just as easily as students can," he said. "A student would be better off copying straight out of a book. At least that way the teachers would actually have to make an effort to find the plagiarism."

PROFESSORS CHANGING

McCabe said professors should place more emphasis on teaching students about academic dishonesty instead of punishing them. He said they should also explain to them the importance of learning

The two students in Lord's class were allowed to redo the paper. Now, she said she explains to her classes the ramifications of plagiarism.

"I wish I could say that I have found a foolproof way to detect plagiarism," she said. "But I haven't."

Lord recently typed "Jane Eyre" into an Internet search engine, and the numerous results shocked her.

"I'm a lot more suspicious now," she said. "If I see something that looks like another one I graded, I dig through that pile much sooner."

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Universities fight online notes phenomenon

By Ameena Kumar
The Chronicle

(U-WIRE) DURHAM, N.C – Since dozens of online class note-publishing companies invaded the Internet a little over a year ago, the academic world -- and even one state government – have taken measures to fight back. But because many professors are split on the issue, the responses have varied in intensity.

At Yale University, undergraduates may not "represent any commercial interest" without permission, and the school was forced to take action late last year against versity.com, a company that paid students for their lecture notes.

"We attacked [versity.com] in March of this year .." said Tom Violante, assistant director for institutional issues at Yale College. "We issued a statement which said Yale was objecting to what they were doing. They complied and took down the Yale notes."

Duke University, too, issued a policy on intellectual property rights late last year following versity.com's activity on campus. The policy, which was approved by the Academic Council in May, reads, "Notes in a course shall not be taken or disseminated for commercial purposes unless approved by the instructor."

Although some schools have taken a more hard-line approach in one form or another, students at Duke still have an option to take notes with a professor's approval.

"At this point, any faculty member who does not want this sort of thing to be done in his or her class has at least implicitly the right to forbid it," said Professor of Classical Studies Peter Burian, chair of the Academic Council. "If the University had a [stricter] policy... students would be by the very nature [of it] subject to the rules of some judicial proceeding. Whether we want to go that route or not is a question that hasn't been decided."

At versity.com's new Web site, www.versity.collegeclub.com, over 200 Duke courses are listed. Provost Peter Lange said the University must test out last year's policy before even considering an expansion. The council is not slated to revisit the issue this semester.

At Harvard University, an undergraduate student can be expelled if he sells his lecture notes to anyone. And the University of California system has forbidden companies from even coming to campus without permission.

"As a whole, the University of California system has been taking the approach that it has the right to regulate business on campus," said Jeff Gibeling, chair of the Academic Senate at UC-Davis. "You have to have a contract, the idea being to protect the intellectual property of the faculty."

Despite these intellectual-property issues, some professors said they have other ethical problems with online note-taking companies.

"Teachers should be in command of their own classrooms. The teacher doesn't only have the right but has the responsibility to teach his or her class," said Mathieu Deflem, an assistant professor of sociology at Purdue University. "If they hook up with these companies, they're giving away their responsibilities."

Deflem has waged his own campaign against these companies and has set up a Web site with centralized information about them.

But enforcing note-taking policies can be extremely difficult. Although students must notify Duke professors before they agree to take notes for an online company, Professor of Experimental Psychology Carl Erickson said that until receiving a phone call from The Chronicle, he was unaware there was a note-taker in his Psychology 91 class.

"It's one of those things we have little control over or seem to have little control over," Erickson said. "I've always taken it as something that's beyond the professor's control."

Upon learning about two Harvard courses listed on one Web site, Harvard Director of Communications Sally Baker expressed surprise and said, "I think we expect our students to be honest and if these things come to our attention, we'd certainly take a look at it." She declined to comment on the number of disciplinary cases relating to online note-taking because the information is confidential.

Although the war against the online note-taking industry has been waged largely at the academic level, it has recently moved to the government level. Within the last two weeks, the California State Assembly and Senate passed a bill – A.B 1773 – prohibiting the sale or distribution of class notes for commercial purposes; now, it is awaiting judgment from Democratic Governor Gray Davis.

Euguene Volokh, professor of law at UCLA, said, "Many kinds of commercial note-taking may already be prohibited by federal copyright law; this state law might thus be unnecessary. Also, because copyright law is a federal statute, it might preempt state laws like this one, which seem to conflict with the federal copyright scheme." He added that A.B. 1773 may also be unintentionally overbroad, perhaps prohibiting newspapers from reporting on what professors said in a particular class.

Some online companies have been feeling the heat. Versity.com, bought out by CollegeClub.com – an online campus community – in April, may no longer have financial backing.

As part of an agreement to be bought out by studentadvantage.com, a similar site, CollegeClub.com declared bankruptcy last Monday. But studentadvantage.com will not buy the assets to versity.com.

"We decided not to put versity.com in the agreement because their business model didn't really compliment ours," said Heidi van Vliet, associate manager of public relations for studentadvantage.com. "We do need to protect our university relationships because we work very closely with many of them. Versity.com historically has not worked in conjunction with universities."

The deal to buy CollegeClub.com's assets will not be completed for about eight weeks.

Lisa Wayne, a spokesperson for www.versity.collegeclub.com, said the company is in the process of reevaluating its options.

"We may find a way to keep it and integrate it," Wayne said. "It's a very expensive business to run... Does it meet our objectives? It's a wonderful property and if [it doesn't], then do we get rid of it altogether?"

Ask a Geek

'Sup Geek.
My mouse isn't responding like it used to. Do mice die?
-Mouse Problems

Mouse Problems-
Have you been feeding it? Sorry...most likely, your mouse has gotten dirty on the inside. If you turn it over, you should see a round disc holding the ball in. If you turn it, it comes off, and you can take the ball out. Inside, you will find two (sometimes three) little rollers. If there is buildup on these rollers, or a lot of dust particles inside the mouse body, it will interfere with the mouse's performance. If you see buildup on the rollers, scrape it off (gently) with your fingernails, and then blow the dust out of the mouse. It also doesn't hurt to clean the ball off with rubbing alcohol (DO NOT USE WATER). Put the mouse back together, and see if it works a bit better.
-The Geek

Dear Geeks,
My dad just sent me his old printer so I don't have to use the...ones in the lab, but my computer doesn't know what kind of printer it is. It detects it ok, but it's not on the list that comes up. Is there a way to TELL the computer what kind of printer it is? Do I need a disk of some sort? HELP?
-Printerless

Printerless-
It sounds like you need to get a driver for your printer. If you have Internet access, go to http://www.google.com. This is my absolute favorite search engine. Type in the maker and model of your printer (i.e Hewlett Packard LaserJet 2100) and the word driver, and then perform a "Google Search". That will bring up a list of websites that fit the search parameters. The manufacturer's website should always have drivers for their products that you can download free of charge. After you download it, you can "browse" to the file's location when you are prompted for the driver during the setup wizard. If the file that you downloaded is an executable (ends with .exe) you will have to run it before your computer will know that the driver is there.

Hope that helped some!
-The Geek

Bluetooth-not just a weird name

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

You know what I mean. You're either moving in or out of the dorm for the year, or going home for Christmas break and you need your computer. But that nest of wires behind your computer box often takes a significant amount of twisting, pulling and yanking to untangle - and we won't even talk about the family of dust bunnies that reside back there. A new technology called Bluetooth promises to eliminate the need for these wires and many other wires associated with computing and communication. Bluetooth is simply a protocol being developed and supported by many big communications companies that are interested in creating a wireless communications world. Among the 1,900 companies involved are such industry leaders as 3Com, Ericsson, IBM, Lucent, Nokia, Motorola and Microsoft. With backing like this, the technology is bound to succeed.

How does it work? Bluetooth uses the radio frequency in the 2.4 GHz spectrum to transmit signals from the device sending data to the one receiving data. This requires a radio transmitter and receiver in the two communicating devices. Also required are a base band (link controller) to convert the radio signal to a digital signal and maintain data integrity and some software (link manager), which coordinates the flow of data between two devices.

The idea of Bluetooth is to enable wireless communication between ANY devices. Previously the devices often had to be made by the same manufacturer, or have compatibility built in. This movement is an effort to unite all companies and to form a standard that everyone will use. With your Pal[m] Pilot you could downloa[d] your e-mail from the co[m]puter sitting 30 feet aw[ay] while adding an entry [to] your calendar and sen[d]ing a memo to yo[ur] coworkers - all witho[ut] cords or messy comput[er] geek stuff.

While this technolog[y] is very prom[is]ing, there a[re] still som[e] issues to b[e] worked aroun[d]. Security is a b[ig] concer[n] because sin[ce] your inform[a]tion would b[e] transmitte[d] through m[id]air, anyone wi[th] a receiver cou[ld] theoretical[ly] catch the in[fo]. Transmissi[on] speeds f[or] Bluetooth a[re] also slower than oth[er] popular networking met[h]ods like Ethernet, toppi[ng] out at around 720 Kb[ps] (less than 1/100 that [of] Southern's network).

Despite the obstac[les] in its way, Blueto[oth] seems destined to su[c]ceed, judging from t[he] huge industry backi[ng] that it already has. Lo[ok] for a Bluetooth enabl[ed] device coming your w[ay] soon.

MPEG-4 in our future

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Okay, so we've heard more than we ever wanted to know about MP3's and Napster. A few years ago MP3's were something only geeks had on their computers to impress other geeks and get their kicks. Now it seems like everyone and their mothers' cats have them. MP3 is actually an abbreviation for MPEG-3, which is an abbreviation for Mpeg-1 Audio Layer-3. In short, this is merely a way of compressing media files so they don't hog your entire hard drive.

But the Internet is changing and experts expect users to want quality video like they want quality sound now. "Internet users want motion video," said Jim Clardy, marketing alliances manager for Motorola. So motion video they will get. The Motion Pictures Expert Group (MPEG) will be releasing a new version of their media compression that promises to make high quality video the next big thing on the Internet. The new MPEG version includes data-loss protection, which lessens the choppy streaming effect currently seen on most Internet videos.

MPEG-4 was approached from a whole new perspective, thus making it more versatile. Developers used an object-oriented approach while designing the new standard. Separating the media into different types using this method allows it to flow more smoothly to the user. A movi[e] soundtrack, for examp[le], could be downloaded a[nd] ready to play beforeha[nd], thus requiring only t[he] voice and picture of t[he] actors need be stream[ed]. MPEG-4 will also all[ow] businesses to take adv[an]tage of it. F[or] example, if y[ou] wanted some [of] that cool furnit[ure] you saw in Fi[ght] Club, a sim[ple] click on the co[uch] would load t[he] web site of t[he] company t[hat] made it. Just do[n't] expect much fr[om] James Bo[nd] movies.

Condition[al] access has a[lso] been built i[nto] MPEG-4 which will h[elp] avoid the legal battles t[hat] surround MP3s. J[...] Brailean, President a[nd] CTO of PacketVideo en[vi]sions a system that allo[ws] users to buy the rights [to] various media, which th[ey] will store on an intern[et] account. This will all[ow] them to access the mu[sic] or video from anywhe[re] on any device, and avo[id] the legality issues th[at] have plagued MPEG-3.

UConnections.com releases new version of site as students head back to school

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE via COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE)-- Sept. 7, 2000--

Connections.com, a leading Internet provider of e-commerce and information for the college market, announced today the release of its redesigned website incorporating feedback received from students across the country. The new site has been built on a more robust technical infrastructure, has an updated 'look and feel', includes additional content and services, and provides students with easier navigation online.

UConnections launched its original site in November 1999. The company experienced explosive growth last semester based on surging interest from students and the addition of a strong management team. An aggressive expansion plan is currently being implemented, adding significant strength to UConnections' local presence at colleges and universities across the country.

UConnections connects students to their local campus community. The site brings the things students do around campus on a daily basis - including eating, shopping, and socializing - online, to make their lives easier.

"We are excited to offer students a new version of the site as we welcome them back to school for the fall semester," said Ronald Stein, CEO of UConnections.com. "Our combination of an updated online presence, and offline, campus-based student teams, offers the best model to connect students and merchants. We believe this will make UConnections students' most valuable campus resource, right at their fingertips."

The bold movements of UConnections are catching the public eye. UConnections will be part of a special report for the ".com" series, airing on CNBC, Saturday September 16th at Noon Eastern Time. Other upcoming features include a CEO Interview in the September issue of Wall Street Reporter, and an article in the October issue of Entrepreneur Magazine covering UConnections' emergence as a leader in the college market.

About UConnections.com

New York City based UConnections.com is a fast growing, locally focused Internet provider of e-commerce and information for the college market, alumni and those in the campus area. UConnections differentiates itself by being the only business-to-community firm in the college space, and helps to fill a gap in the college market as the 'grass roots' community site students can make their own. UConnections.com provides 2-click food ordering, information on local events, a rewards program, features for campus organizations, and more. UConnections.com brings off-campus online to become The Internet College Connection(TM). For more information call 212.532.4321 or visit www.uconnections.com.

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The best and worst of the Web

By David Fournier
Staff Writer

Good site of the week
http://www.bigwords.com

BigWords is one good-looking site - especially if you like large open orange spaces like my columnist. Not only does BigWords have a smooth look but they also have cool stuff for the average college student. Clothes, Textbooks, and of course the "big word" of the day. When I checked the big word was excogitate. You might want to excogitate carefully before answering questions on a test.

I'll let you think that one over for a while.

Besides clothes and school supplies, BigWords also sells "accessories." Accessories are essentially things that you don't need but when assembled about your person should definitely match. One of the first accessories that came to my attention while browsing around was the scooter. No I'm not talking about the kind of scooter you see in Europe with the lights and signaling devices, this was rather the sort of scooter that small children use propel themselves around in. It's like a skateboard for the inadequate. At any rate this scooter happens to be alloy and runs for the "reasonable" (which shouldn't apply to useless items) price of 110 bucks.

All right that was my stab at scooters everywhere.

Bad site of the week:
http://www.gottshall.com/squirrels

Jon's World o Squirrels. "Yes, it's a site devoted to those nut - gathering, nose - wiggling, bushy - tailed nibblers known as... SQUIRRELS!" That by the way is a direct quote from the first line of this site.

I'll start with the "look" of the site rather than the content because once I start with that I don't know where I'll end up. The site is one of those personal hodge podge sites that really has no unity or cohesion (if you don't know that one yet, look it up). It looks as though this guy just had so much stuff he had to say about squirrels that he sacrificed his look entirely for the sake of content. What is amazing is that while perusing the site for all the tidbits of information related to squirrels one is serenaded" by this INTENSE organ MIDI music. Wonderful stuff.

On to the subject [of] content... I think I'm al[most at a] loss for words on this on[e]. It's a site dedicated [to] squirrels for goodne[ss] sake. I'm all about cari[ng] for God's creatures a[nd] all that good stuff howe[v]er if I recall correctly [it] was man that God ma[de] as the pinnacle of creati[on], not the noble squirrel [or] any other rodent. In fa[ct] squirrels have become [a] real problem in so[me] areas. I spent a summ[er] working for a bricklay[er] and one of the extra jo[bs] we did occasionally w[as] clean chimneys out. L[et] me assure you that b[at]tling squirrels for fl[ue] passage is never fun, [or] wise. I am unwilling [to] divulge the details [of] those experiences how[ev]er I will say this: bewa[re] the sharp teeth my frie[nd].

Science

Friday, September 15, 2000

Alpha hydroxy acids in skin care

By Natalie Katsman

Cleopatra bathed in milk, and noble European ladies pampered their bodies with wine baths to have silky smooth skin. Alpha Hydroxy Acids (AHA) were used to reverse the aging process for centuries before their effectiveness was recognized by modern science.

Alpha hydroxy acids are very familiar to all of us:

– Lactic acid is found in milk

– Oranges and lemons contain citric acid.

– Apples - malic acid

– Aged wine is rich with tartaric acid

– Glycolic acid is extracted from sugar cane.

AHAs are natural – not only they are found in plants and natural foods, but also in the human body!

Now alpha hydroxy acids are the most popular choice to reduce wrinkles and fine lines, dryness, acne, alligator skin and many other skin conditions.

Ok. Now let's talk about how AHAs work and what they do to make skin look younger.

Studies have shown that AHAs are especially effective on the horny layer (the one made of dead cells). As you know, as the time goes on, our skin loses its ability to get rid of old cells fast enough. Therefore, this outermost skin layer thickens, and thick skin loses its elasticity and fresh look. AHAs come to the rescue: they break down the sugars in the skin, some of which are an essential part of "skin cement", the material that holds the cells together. As a result, skin easily sheds unwanted old cells, revealing newer and younger ones.

Let's go deeper, to the dermis. While making the epidermis somewhat thinner, alpha hydroxy acids seem to make the ground substance of the dermis thicker, thereby eliminating wrinkles.

For some reason, the amount of AHAs produced by our bodies is not enough to counter wrinkles. It has been found that our bodies do even more: they produce alpha acetoxy acids (AAA), which do the opposite of what AHAs do. AAAs work for thickening of the horny layer and allow whiteheads and blackheads to appear on the skin surface. Why this happens has yet to be explained by scientists.

In the meantime, AHAs' ability to help skin shed unwanted cells makes it very useful in eliminating wrinkles and age spots & in relieving alligator skin and associated dryness & thickening of the epidermis. They help to eliminate acne on the face, back, and chest. By the same mechanism, AHAs get rid of precancerous growths

High concentration of AHAs produce very fast, dramatic results, especially for serious skin conditions, but they are being used only by professionals and are neither recommended nor available for home use

Luckily for all of us, there are safe and effective products formulated with AHAs that can be used every day. They might not work as fast as more concentrated solutions, but if you stick to them for a period of time, you will be pleasantly surprised at the results they can produce.

Note: Information in this article is not to be taken as a medical advice. Always consult your doctor if you need professional help.

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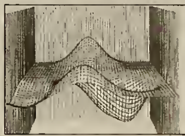
Like it loud? That's okay!

Many a SAU student has wanted to play their music really loud at some point. Usually they're living next door. A discovery made by Ping Sheng and others at Hong Kong's University of Science and Technology may make living next to people like this much easier. Materials to dampen sounds of higher pitches have been around for awhile, but a wall several meters thick was previously required to stop bass sound waves. Sheng and his team observed materials that reflected light and wondered why something similar couldn't be developed for sound waves. Why indeed. They worked on developing a low frequency sound shield that is only a few centimeters thick.

The layer of sound resistant material consists of many lead balls that have been coated with rubber. The balls are about one centimeter in diameter. While only one layer of these balls makes a nearly perfect low frequency sound block, Sheng and his team experimented with different ball configurations and orientations. They soon found that the ball orientation didn't matter. This idea works because the incoming sound waves "resonate" with the sound shield, thus transferring the maximum amount of energy out of the sound wave and into the metal balls. The shield then redirects the energy back where it came from. The rubber coating on lead balls was used because the shield required a material that was both springy and dense. By adjusting the size of the lead balls, Sheng can alter the frequencies of sound that the shield will block.



So the next time you're subjected to Ace of Base at three o'clock in the morning, smile to yourself and think of Ping Sheng in Hong Kong where it's three in the afternoon. Then bang on the wall.

Backpacks can be pain in the neck

By Felecia D. Henderson,

Don't worry, parents: The 20-pound backpack your child carries won't hurt his or her spine.

There is no proof that packs jammed with books, binders, athletic shoes and refreshments will damage growing bones, medical specialists say However, strained muscles are a risk.

"The real problem is the number of times they pick up the bag during the day and how they carry it," said Dr. Pamela Berry, a pediatrician in Detroit and Livonia. "Usually the problem is low back pain. As soon as they lighten the load, the symptoms go away"

Another problem that may pop up is shoulder pain. "Children should avoid carrying (a pack) on one shoulder," said Dr. Ken Sidhu, an orthopedic surgeon at St. John Hospital and Medical Center "If they must, they should alternate shoulders."

Jewel Garland, an eighth-grader at Roosevelt Middle School in Oak Park, always has a full backpack. "I carry one or two books, three notebooks, a folder, pencils, a jacket and other things like chips, Skittles, rubber bands and lotion," the 13-year-old explained. "My friends carry tapes, a Walkman, clothes One of my friends went to the grocery store on a Friday and carried groceries in her book bag until the next Wednesday."

For such student Sherpas, doctors suggest backpacks with wide shoulder straps so the weight is distributed evenly.

And if children plan to carry 20 pounds regularly, they should consider backpacks with waist straps to reduce the stress on the lumbar spine.

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Particle responsible for mass discovered?

Physicists working in Geneva may have discovered the subatomic particle that determines mass. The researchers are working with a large particle detector called ALEPH in the CERN particle physics laboratory. A Large Electron Positron Collider (LEP) was used in this experiment to accelerate the particles. Recently the ALEPH scientists observed several collisions that may signify the existence of the mysterious Higgs boson. Higgs bosons are relatively massive subatomic particles that are thought to give other subatomic particles such as quarks and electrons mass. The Higgs boson has been thought to exist for about 30 years, but has eluded detection by existing for very short bursts of time.

The researchers at ALEPH used the LEP to smash particles together at incredible speeds, thus (hopefully) producing a Higgs boson. While the Higgs boson will not exist long enough to be detected, it breaks down into a telltale set of other particles, which identify that it did indeed exist at one time. Theoretically anyway. ALEPH's Wolf Dieter Schlatter says that while the results could be promising, they don't have enough evidence to claim a "discovery."

Whether or not these results will be confirmed depends on whether or not the leaders of ALEPH choose to keep LEP functional. It was previously scheduled to be dismantled at the end of the month to make way for a more advanced machine with similar purpose. This gives researchers very little time to collect enough data to prove their hypothesis. Some politics are involved as well, as Fermilab (near Chicago) is scheduled to continue their research on the Higgs boson at the end of the month. ALEPH collaborators deny that Fermilab's research will affect their decisions

Surveys clash on views about college drinking.

By Oliver Longwell
Cavalier Daily

A national survey issued Friday reports that college students have a largely accurate perception of binge drinking on campus, while another study issued the same day reports that they do not. The Harvard School of Public Health reported in its survey that the median of American undergraduates estimate a 35 percent rate of binge drinking on college campuses, close to the commonly accepted 44 percent rate reported in a 1999 Harvard study.

It also reported that the student estimates of binge drinking were within 10 percent of the actual rates at 60 percent of the colleges surveyed.

The report was based on the 1999 survey responses of 14,138 students at 119 colleges in 40 states and is published in the September issue of the Journal of American College Health.

A contradictory report from The Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention reported that seven out of 10 college students overestimated the weekly alcohol intake of their peers. The surveyed students consumed a mean of 4.73 drinks per week but estimated the weekly consumption of their peers at 9.01 drinks. The survey was administered to 300 randomly selected students at each of the 18 participating colleges nationwide. It had a response rate of 53.4 percent.

The conflicting studies were released in the midst of a growing debate among health care providers over the use of the term "binge drinking" in describing alcohol use on college campuses.

"The term is not helpful, because the perception of a binge is not consistent with the reality," said Susan Bruce, Director of the University's Center for Alcohol and Substance Education. "It tends to exaggerate the problem"

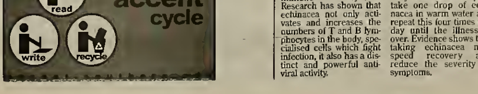
The widely accepted clinical definition of a drinking binge is consuming four drinks in one sitting for a woman and five for a man. Critics argue that the indefinite time frame of a sitting as well as the varying levels of alcohol tolerance among college students make the term too ambiguous

In a statement released last month, the Inter-Association Task Force on Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse Issues said the four- to five-drink definition first used by the Harvard School of Public Health in a 1993 study is too narrow. "By using this definition, large numbers of college students (at least 40 percent in most national surveys) are lumped into what is widely promoted as problematic and even dangerous behavior," the statement said.

The task force suggested using terms such as "high risk" or "less harmful use" to describe alcohol use among college students, while reserving the use of the term "binge drinking" to "denote a prolonged (usually two days or more) period of intoxication."

According to CASE's most recent study of alcohol use, 65 percent of students at the University consume zero to five drinks in an average week. If those five drinks are consumed in one sitting, however, the students could be classified as binge drinkers.

"My goal is to provide the most accurate unbiased information about alcohol use to students," Bruce said. "And a negative term like 'binge drinking' focuses on the problem rather than the solution."



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Health Chat's healthy nutrition: introducing echinacea

By Dr Jeremy Sims

There are many dietary supplements on the market which possess certain infection-busting properties. One of the best known and most documented is echinacea.

Also known as purple coneflower, echinacea is a herb which is not only safe to take but is also a potent stimulant of the immune system. Research has shown that echinacea not only activates and increases the numbers of T and B lymphocytes in the body, specialised cells which fight infection, it also has a distinct and powerful anti-viral activity.

The root of the herb is considered to be the best source for medicinal efficacy, although the leaves also have a potent effect. Indeed, many echinacea preparations are derived from the whole of the plant offering the benefits of both root and leaf.

Treatment is simple. At the first sign of a cold or 'flu' - an itchy throat or achy limbs for example - take one drop of echinacea in warm water and repeat this four times per day until the illness is over. Evidence shows that taking echinacea may speed recovery and reduce the severity of symptoms.

Finally, besides using it while ill, it is not uncommon for people to take echinacea as a preventive measure. However, note that preparations are most effective when taken intermittently. If you intend to take echinacea for long periods, for instance throughout winter when viral infections tend to be at their most prevalent in the general population, remember to take it in small quantities for only two to three weeks in each month.

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Lifestyles

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Subway or Blimpie?

BY JERRY WASMER
Lifestyles Editor

People have been eating sub sandwiches for over a century. Whether called subs, hoagies, heroes, grinders or Peter Pans, they are the most popular kind of sandwich in North America. Of all the sub shops, Subway and Blimpie are the most popular. Today I had lunch at Blimpie Subs and Salads of Collegedale. I had a twelve-inch veggie on wheat, the same thing I always get. While I was there, I heard some customers arguing about which is better, Subway or Blimpie.

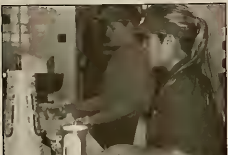
I've eaten many times at each place. They are both OK, but not spectacular by any means. I don't think that any one is better than the other. Most people have their own opinions on the matter. A lot of the people I talk to like Blimpie. They say that the bread is better, the lettuce isn't brown, and so on. But, the Subway supporters protest, Blimpie is more expensive. Then it goes back and forth for a while.

I get my subs on wheat bread at both Subway and Blimpie. The wheat bread at Subway is fine, and so is the wheat bread at Blimpie. The two bread recipes may not be the exact same, but they are enough alike that you can't tell the difference and neither can I, so I don't want to hear anyone complaining about the bread any more.

About the brown lettuce: once I got brown lettuce at the Subway in Ooltewah. It was the last little bit of lettuce in the bin, and it was almost closing time. Someone asked for green lettuce, and they brought out a new bin of fresh lettuce I assume they had ready for the next day. The lettuce wasn't rotten or anything of the sort, it had just turned color from the air (or so I'm told). The only other time I got brown lettuce at a sub joint was another Subway in South Carolina somewhere, but I think the people working in that store were under the influence of some thing or other, so I see that as another fairly isolated incident. The fact that I haven't gotten brown lettuce at a Blimpie doesn't have much to do with anything at all, and it can't be used as an argument against Subway.

Blimpie is a little more expensive than Subway, but not a whole lot. It won't put you in the poorhouse to spend a little extra on a Blimpie. The fact that you have enough money to eat out at all should keep you happy and quiet.

The best sub sandwich I ever had, at either Blimpie or Subway, was at Subway. A few weeks ago, just before school started, a few friends and I went to downtown Chattanooga to find something to do. Some of us were hungry, and since Janell's Juice Excuse (good smoothies) was closed, we went to the Subway just up the street. There were two people working at the time, one slender gentleman with a visor and huge hair, and another with a nice-looking floppy hat. The first appeared not to care all that much about anyone on either side of the counter or anything else in general, and slapped a couple sandwiches together all nasty style, with the tomatoes off center, way too much vinegar, etc. But the second gentleman (the one with the hat) was the most meticulous, exacting craftsman I have ever seen at work. He cut the bread perfectly, gave me just the right amount of lettuce and tomatoes and crumbled up the onions and peppers so they were distributed evenly throughout the sandwich. That man had the best sandwich-making technique I have ever seen.



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Two Collegedale Blimpie employees prepare sandwiches for customers during lunch.

So which is better, Subway or Blimpie? Neither. Arguing over what brand of sandwich is better is useless and won't get you anything but an ulcer. Both Subway and Blimpie can turn out good and bad sandwiches. What makes the difference between a good sandwich and a bad sandwich is not the brand or the store you bought it from, nor the advertising (the people who work at Subway are definitely not all sandwich artists. They might be more aptly called sandwich saboteurs or demolitionists. Most of the people who work at Blimpie can't make a sandwich either. What I am talking about is the exceptions). The people make the difference.

Having said that, two places around town that you can go and get reasonably good subs are: Subway in Ooltewah (next to the Samaritan Center), and Blimpie in Collegedale (next to Winn-Dixie).

Listening pleasure

BY TIM HINCK

Béla Fleck
Volume 2-Tales from the Acoustic Planet: The Bluegrass Sessions
Warner Bros
1999

A couple of years ago, Bela Fleck gathered together his ideal collection of musicians to record a bluegrass album. Then he did it again. This new album may even be better than the first. The musicians are all bluegrass giants. The tunes are great, and range from old classics to new originals.

Béla's playing on this album is completely relaxed. He is often in the background keeping steady time on this percussion-free tracks. There is a great deal of interplay between Béla and Jerry Douglas, whose dobro playing is rarely obtrusive. Sam Bush plays Mandolin on the album, and his incredible belocity will take your breath away. The collection of musicians on this album is truly surprising. Also present are Tony Rice (who contributes the best solo on the album, on the song "Buffalo Nickel"), Mark Schatz, and Stuart Duncan. The "old school" of bluegrass is also represented when Vassar Clemence, John Hartford, and Bela's old mentor Earl Scruggs make a guest appearance.

Though not every track is completely listenable, you will want to buy this album simply because there is none other that contains this many great bluegrass musicians.

BY TIM HINCK

Freddie Hubbard
Straight Life
Sony
1970

In 1970, Freddie Hubbard recorded his second album for CTI. For this recording he recruited several great musicians such as George Benson, Ron Carter, and Herbie Hancock.

Though every track on this recording is important, the most popular and probably the most interesting, is the title track, "Straight Life." This song, like the whole album, is great except for one thing: it has Joe Henderson on it. "Straight Life" starts off with a great funk groove, but then Joe Henderson takes a solo which is nothing more than a series of atonal chirps and squawks that sound for all the world like a baby with colic. His playing isn't good for anything. It isn't good for an elevator, a chiropractor's office, or even for a sucker. His playing actually stinks; it reeks of bad personality. It is highly recommended that one should fast forward to Freddie's solo, which is musical (in general). It is all the more easy to listen to having freed oneself from the cacophony of the Henderson solo. Next comes the most beautiful section of the piece. Everyone quiets down, Richie Landrum starts in with the triangle, and Herbie Hancock settles back to start his solo. His playing is effortless; the notes are exactly in their place. His use of tension and release is phenomenal. This is enhanced by his subtle chromaticism and complex chord structure.

There are only three tracks on the album, but the first is 17:27. The grooves seem to last forever, and most of the solos are great (don't miss some of George Benson's guitar work). This album comes highly recommended with love.

Editor's Note

let me know
what you want to read
about.
thanks,
jerry

send things to me
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Ask SHOLLY

Real answers for real questions

Dear Sholly,

I am a non-Adventist attending Southern. Sometimes I find that SDA students can be very hard on professors that are non-SDA, even though they are very good, committed Christians. Some students are even rude and go out of their way to tell the non-SDA's that they do not understand SDA's. I wonder if these students know that there are non-SDA students at Southern who do understand and if they act like good Christians these people may even join the SDA church. I hate discrimination and prejudice of any sort! I am a quiet and shy person and would like comments from other students with suggestions how to handle this problem in the future. Sholly, I like your column a lot and missed them during the last few weeks of last semster. I hope this semester you will be in on a more regular basis. You seem very realistic and honest with your answers.

I am a non-SDA at Southern

Dear non-SDA,

I did not know there were non-SDA teachers here and I had to check it out. I found out that there are indeed non-SDA teachers on staff. I do not believe that non-SDA teachers do not understand what SDA's believe. I agree with you that if we model ourselves in the appropriate way that non-SDA's might join the church. I am appalled that some students would even dare to be rude to a teacher because that teacher is not an SDA. The term from the Bible respect your elders comes to mind. I don't care who the teacher is. I believe as students there exists a certain obligation to respect a teacher or a person in authority.

SDA's are supposed to model after God himself and if we are being prejudicial and discriminatory to people who are not SDA then as Christians we are falling short of the glory of God.

I want to echo your sentiment and tell people out there that if you are going to be a Christian model after our Lord and Savior. Jesus said there are many who are not of this fold that I will bring into My kingdom. Who are we to judge. I am praying that you will not allow w... to separate you from the love of God because of his ... er behavio

Sholly

September Entertainment Calendar

Thursday, September 14

Chattanooga Symphony & Opera Association
Symphony Series: American Landmarks
Tivoli Theatre
The Chattanooga Symphony & Opera Association puts on a spanking good show that everyone and their brother can enjoy. Featured this week: WORLD PREMIER OF "COMMON GROUND" BY CHATTANOOGA COMPOSER ROLAND CARTER! Also featured will be major works of 20th Century American music. Special treat: master piano virtuoso Ralph Votapek will play Rhapsody in Blue.
Concert at 8:00 pm
Note: come at 7:00 p.m., and Maestro Robert Bernhardt will give you a sneak peek.
267-8583

Chattanooga Symphony & Opera Guild
Ovations Reception
Tivoli Theatre
Come backstage directly after the Landmarks performance for the "Opening Night Ovations Reception" for a chance to meet and greet champagne, hors d'oeuvres, desserts and the guest artist. Call to make sure it isn't restricted to members only so you don't show up with your date and get rejected at the door.
267-8583

Saturday, September 16

Chattanooga Theatre Centre
Circle Series Production: An Ideal Husband
"Political aspirations are jeopardized by a woman from the past with incriminating charges. A lively comedy by Oscar Wilde that could be ripped from todays headlines, but created by one of the most important satirists of the last century." Last year a movie version of this play came out. Not too shabby, but we'll see about the play. I met one of the performers at Janelle's Juice Excuse on her way to practice a week ago. She promised to come hear The Big Three play later on that evening, but didn't show up. They must have practiced extra hard that night. The play will run through September 30.
267-8534

Leadership Chattanooga Class of 1999
CULTUREFEST 2000
Coolidge Park
The second annual CultureFest will feature local and regional musicians, dancers, artists, exhibitionists, historians, and cuisine from many diverse ethnic backgrounds. The festivities begin at 11:00 a.m. and come to a grinding halt at 11:00 p.m.
FREE ADMISSION
Note: additional parking at Provident, across the bridge from Coolidge.
267-7766

Sunday, September 17

Chattanooga Area Friends of Folk Music/Tennessee River Park/Hamilton County Parks & Recreation Dept.
8th Annual Appalachian River Reunion!
Tennessee River Park's Hubert Fry Center, West Pavilion
Come enjoy an afternoon of traditional acoustic music by local, regional, and national performers. Refreshments will be sold for a small sum of money or bartered for large stones at the concession center. If you have neither money or large stones, you may bring your own food and picnic on the lawn. Bring something to sit on.
1:00 p.m.
FREE ADMISSION
775-2996

Tuesday, September 19

Hunter Museum of American Art
Art After Work: George Cress: Recent Works
Join artist George Cress as he leads guests on a tour of the exhibit of his paintings and drawings inspired by the Southern and Northeastern landscapes. From 6:00-7:30 p.m.
267-0968

Thursday, September 21

The Big Three
Live in Concert
Southside Jazz Junction
Come celebrate the elevator music of yesteryear performed by one of Chattanooga's newest and finest local bands.
267-9003

Saturday, September 23

Chattanooga Traditional Dance Society
Contra Dancing
All Saint's Academy
Peavine Creek of Atlanta will perform, Doug Singleton will call, and you should be there. Contra Dancing has a rich history, and is quickly gaining popularity. Forget baseball. Come and see why Contra Dancing is America's REAL pastime!
8:00-11:00 p.m.
Warm-up at 7:30 p.m.
622-0604/876-7359

SAU
JOKER Release Party
Come get your copy of the JOKER! This 215-page full-color catalog has the latest products from all over the world, updated with statistics, easy-find reference tabs, and new tracking numbers for your browsing, rating, and dating pleasure.
9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 24

Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Department
11th Annual County Fair
Chester Frost Park
Arts, crafts, music and food are only a few of the many fun things to do at the 11th Annual County Fair. There will be livestock, fruits, vegetables, flowers, trees and historical displays and exhibits. Demonstrations will be given in woodworking, soap making and blacksmithing (making things out of metal). Don't miss the pony rides, wagon rides, games, contests and the 11th annual Hamilton County Parks and Recreation Oepartment sack race.
209-6030

Thursday, September 28

Chattanooga State Technical Community College
Amphitheater Events: 21st Century Renaissance
Come with us! Joe Helseth will lead a tour of the sculpture gardens and The President's Exhibit. Following the tour will be a lecture on "Ideal Proportion or the Golden Mean". Many other lectures will also occur at this time. Join us afterward on the lawn by the sculpture garden to enjoy a concert by the Chattanooga Symphony Orchestra with Maestro Robert Bernhardt. Cokes and ice cream are to be provided, though guests are welcome to bring picnic baskets. It is requested that Guests wishing to check their picnic baskets while attending the lectures arrive ten minutes prior to the guided tour. Picnic baskets will not be allowed in the amphitheater.
FREE ADMISSION
5:00 p.m. Guided sculpture garden tour followed immediately by a lecture on Ideal Proportion or the Golden Mean
7:00 p.m. Concert by the Chattanooga Symphony Orchestra with Maestro Robert Bernhardt
697-4716

Chattanooga Traditional Dance Society
Contra Dancing
All Saint's Academy
Marty Briggs of Atlanta will call and Midnight Kitchen of Atlanta will play with special guest Enrique Iglesias.
8:00 p.m.
warm-up at 7:30 p.m.
622-6004/867-7359

FaithXpress

Catch 77–The tour experience

by Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

Billy: What does your name, Catch 77, mean?

Matt: The name is related to catch 22. When Adam and Eve sinned, they created for this world a catch 22 - no way out. But when Christ came into the world and died for us, He created the perfect way out of this world. Seven is the perfect number of God, therefore, Catch 77 represents Jesus, the perfect way.

Billy: So, you just got back from a 22,000 mile tour around the U.S.? Where did you go?

Catch 77: Yeah, we flew out to Denver to start our tour late last December. We played for the North American Division's New Year's Celebration called Genesis 2000. Then we traveled through Colorado, Nebraska, Idaho, Washington and California playing at Adventist academies. We experienced a great show at PUC, and we got great feedback from them. Then we came back to the East Coast and played in places from Ontario to Florida. Our final official tour concert was in Florida where we opened for "4 Him" at the Metro-Connection 3.

But we did not go on tour simply to have a concert and then leave. We would lead praise and worship, and Chad Stuart would speak. Then we would break up into groups and lead Bible classes. After that we would play a concert. But even then, we stayed around for a few days to establish friendships.

Billy: It sounds like you guys had a broad range of experiences. What were some of the highlights for you personally?

Matt Tolbert: "One thing I enjoyed was the impact God made on young peoples' lives. I especially remember one girl who made a decision for Jesus. She actually shared Christ and what her commitment to Jesus meant with one of her unchurched friends. They both got baptized.

Scott Callender: "It was really a test of endurance for my own spiritual life. When young people asked questions, it strengthened me by making me search. I learned more of what God wants for my life."

Billy: Wow, so you guys really interacted with a lot of Adventist young people. From seeing and talking with so many Adventist youth, how would you say they are doing? Are their needs being met?

Dave Tolbert: It was amazing to see the different perspectives of the youth we met. The Midwest seemed much more open, and the West Coast was more closed. It really varied a lot. But there seems to be a new generation of young Adventist chaplains, religion teachers and pastors who are on fire and giving youth opportunities to be involved.

Matt: They had a lot of practical questions about things like drugs and sex. Many youth had a knowledge of the Bible but not a lot of Spirit.

Scott: Yeah. It was like this car analogy we've talked about. If someone works really hard and saves his money for two years, he will place a higher value on the car he buys than if it was just given to him. I think a lot of young people are given all this knowledge but never study themselves or make it their own.

Billy: What is your group's mission? What are you trying to do through your music ministry?

Matt: Adventist youth need a new form of worship and spiritual enrichment. There are not many focusing just on the youth. I feel that they really appreciate it and feel special when someone ministers directly to them by playing music with the kind of style they like.

Catch 77: The motto that we say at every concert when we play is: "to praise God and further His love." Our focus is on praising and worshipping God in the way we know how and the way we like. We use that way of worship to reach young people and anyone else.

Billy: So what does the future hold for your band?

Catch 77: Well, we spent nearly all summer recording in Los Angeles. Eleven new songs (we write our own music for anyone who wants to know) will be coming out on a new album sometime in October. We'll be having a CD release concert somewhere around Southern then.

All we know is we love doing this and would love to get paid for it. But we've put it in God's hands. However far God takes us, we are willing to go.

Contributed photo

Catch 77 members Don Gladden, Scott Callender, Dave Oakley, Dave Tolbert and Matt Tolbert return to Southern after a year-long tour.

What do you think makes Southern spiritual?

"The professors, like Dr. Ekkens, play a big part. His theme in Biology class is "God is love."

–Jemen Park
Freshmen

"The students that are dedicated to Christ and living that way. It really shows in the student-led programs like CIA, campus Bible studies and Student Week of Prayer."

–Veliska Perumal
Junior

"The fact that we have people praying for us, because we have God helping us."

–Kenia Rodriguez
Sophomore

"I wish I knew, but I think the spirituality of Southern is dependent on each individual student, not just good programs or faculty."

–Nathan Robinson
Junior

"Having so many opportunities for student interaction like the Third and drama. When we get involved we grow spiritually."

–Rachel Lombard
Junior

Inquisitive rebellion

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

In the movie *The Patriot*, Mel Gibson portrays the inner struggle of a man whose conscience is torn. Should he join the cause of American freedom or play it safe for his family and remain under British rule? Although trying to keep the peace and cause no waves, he is pushed too far by extreme circumstances. When cold-blooded murder steals his son, when the redcoats burn his house and when the cause for freedom seems to be turning with its tail between its legs, he is summoned to action. But what was it really to join this pip squeak rebellion? Was it revenge? Or was it bravery and commitment to the vision of birthing an independent nation?

College is a place of rebellion. For many it is like removing the child protection software from a devious eight-year-old's computer. For others, it is what I like to call "inquisitive rebellion." That's the good kind that leads to revolution and the birth of an independent child of God.

University life, even with all of its requirements and standards, offers a bigger slice of freedom pie than many have experienced before. We have a larger selection of toys and times, friends and foods, classes and careers to choose from. And under this new euphoria of freedom, we all must make choices. And probably the most important choices we have to make are in the area of our spiritual life. Will I drink or have sex if I can get away with it? Will I use my talents and passions to serve others or just to serve myself and my career goals?

The sad thing is that many of us do not do what we know to be right because secretly we want revenge on all the people who have "made us" be religious. You may feel that way for good reason. Either way, now is the time to grow through it, beyond it.

It's OK to rethink what your parents told you about God and standards when you were ten. But looking for a way to indulge yourself just because you can is pointless. Inquisitive rebellion helps us all get rid of the senseless formalism of our religion. Now is a time to meet new people, go new places, think deeper thoughts and find fresh faith.

"You say, "I am allowed to do anything." But not everything is helpful. You say, "I am allowed to do anything." But not everything is beneficial" (1 Cor 10:23-24). "Test everything . . . Hold on to what is good" (1 Thess 5:21).

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How to develop a deeper relationship with Christ

By David Warden, as told to Debbie Battin

*Sincere Prayer: Communicate openly with God

*Submission: Give yourself willingly to God with humility, and an attitude of servanthood

*Brokeness: Empty yourself of self, and recognize your need for Jesus

*Desire to be Holy: Have a deep heartfelt desire to be set apart, sanctified, and holy.

How to keep your relationship with Christ strong

*Recognize it all comes from God.

*Daily davotions are important.

*Keep Christ in all your daily thoughts and actions.

Christ in the President

By Debbie Battin
STAFF WRITER

What do you want others to see in you?–A question you have probably heard too many times. The expected answer from any "good" Christian would reflect a desire to be like Christ. How can something imperfect genuinely represent something perfect? What does it mean to be like Jesus? S.A. President David Warden desires more than anything to be a representation of Jesus Christ on campus. He says, "My personal number one goal is that one person comes closer to Christ, because I was used by Jesus to reach out to them."

With a God-given compassionate heart, a sincere desire to serve and an enthusiastic ministerial spirit, David is committed to SAU. His connection with Christ is the fuel that lights the fire of service in his life. Where did such dedication, and mission-mindedness come from? How did David start his walk with Christ?

Although born an Episcopalian, David attended various churches. At times, he was a "Saptist"–sorry Baptist, claiming Christianity only when it was convenient.

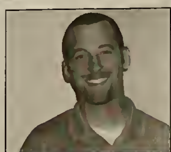
"I have been in and out of different churches all my life," David said. "I used to choose a church only if it had a good basketball team."

Life led him over some rough ground, and as a teenager he joined the U.S. Navy.

After ten years in the Navy, David had it made. He had worked his way successfully to the top and distinguished ranking.

"Although I was filled with many aspirations that would make me a Commander in the Navy, and give me a retirement plan with all the benefits, I was missing something in my life," David said. "I was empty on the inside, like a room full of bubbles. I was full, yet so empty."

In the Navy, God found David.



While attending Bible studies on the ship, David learned about Jesus Christ. He did not know it at the time, but the Chaplain of the ship was an Adventist. He learned about Sabbath on a Friday night out to sea. Daniel and Revelation as well as other Bible topics grabbed his attention. He began to understand, and personally experience the power of God's word.

On September 12, 1997, David saw for the first time in his life the real love of Jesus.

"I stood there by my bunk sobbing, because Jesus' love for me personally had become real," David said. "At that point in my life, on that night, I had finally died to self."

Upon that great realization, David's life was radically changed.

"When God rocks your world, you will never be the same. He turns everything upside down, and your whole outlook is changed."

David started caring about others, their lives, their walk with Christ. His life became consumed with sharing Jesus with his shipmates, and involving people in Bible studies on the ship.

"If that ship were the world, Jesus would have come, because every person was given the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ," David said

Now as S.A. President David Warden plans to continue giving people an opportunity to make Jesus real in their lives. He wants to minister to the individual, and he wants to be a resource Christ uses to help people. His charge to the student body is: "There is a person out there who may not even be born yet who will only hear the message of Jesus Christ from you."

He personifies this thought by being used by God to reach out to others.

EDITORIALS

We are to survive Week of Spiritual Emphasis?

A recent campus publication expressed the hope that Southern's students had survived the Week of Spiritual Emphasis. The statement seemed to express the sentiment felt all across campus by the end of last week as students and faculty tried to recover from crack-of-dawn classes and steady schedule interruptions.

The Week of Spiritual Emphasis was designed as a time for focusing on spiritual matters and gaining blessings during special times set apart from the rest of the day. But with the exhausting schedule adopted this year, few students had the energy or time to truly appreciate the messages the speakers had to share.

While there were still blessings to be gained, the rigorous schedule was counter-productive. Students were required to get up an hour earlier at least twice during the week, attend twice the number of morning meetings as have been held previously while receiving no additional education credit, and were given only single-form worship credit for evening meetings that have been worth double.

The motivations were probably quite honest on the part of those responsible for the Week of Spiritual emphasis changes, but the results need to be carefully examined. Not only did students and teachers start out the semester more frazzled and tired than usual, but instead of being encouraged and refreshed by the meetings, students were left feeling resentful and frustrated.

This semester's Week of Spiritual Emphasis schedule made it more difficult for those who wished to benefit from the meetings. Many of the students here want the blessings that should be a part of the week, but schedules are hectic enough without added extra difficulties that keep even the messages the speakers spend great effort preparing.

This semester's Week of Spiritual Emphasis schedule was a mistake. If the mistake is corrected, the next Week of Spiritual Emphasis will find a more alert and attentive audience. After all, anyone would rather thrive on the Week of Spiritual Emphasis than just survive it.

Do things the easy way

Last week was Spiritual Week of Emphasis. Chapel met each day at 11 a.m., so classes during that time had to be rearranged.

On Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. classes met at 7 a.m. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday, each class, beginning with 8 a.m. classes, was moved up one hour until lunch time.

It seems that the school could have been more consistent and had 11 a.m. classes Monday through Friday meet at 7 a.m. Instead, they made those who have morning classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday get up an extra hour early for class.

This makes no sense. Hopefully next year more consistent changes will be made, such as scheduling all 11 a.m. classes that week to meet an hour before class is supposed to begin.

Changes need to be less confusing to the students.

Maybe next year the administration will do things the easy way and trash this year's schedule. That will make time changes less confusing and easier for both students and teachers.

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Free college for all

DURHAM, N.C. – The state of California is making an offer that no high school student will refuse.

Under a new law, signed by California Gov. Gray Davis Monday, any high school senior in the state who has a B average and a yearly family income of less than $54,000 will be eligible for full tuition at any California State University or University of California campus. Further, if the student decides to attend a private school, he or she would receive $9,700 toward the cost of the private institution.

That's not all. Students with a C average coming from families making less than $34,000 annually will receive $1,500 in scholarship money. Families making more than $64,000 could also receive assistance, as students who achieve high scores on state math and science exams could receive up to $2,500.

What does all this mean? Well, California – a state with a population of more than 30 million – is making higher education an entitlement for students who have the grades but do not have the money. At an estimated cost of $1 billion a year, the plan is ambitious; it is also the right thing to do.

Over the past two decades, the cost of a college education has skyrocketed. In the United States an estimated 8.4 million students must support themselves through student loans.

Acknowledging this funding gap, California is taking a bold action that other states and the federal government should mimic. Not every state has the $12 billion surplus that California has, but the federal government should encourage other states to develop similar programs and then offer to split the bill. This proposal would make a substantial difference in the quest to make higher education affordable.

Critics have claimed that this plan will result in a dilution of standards at academically selective public universities, but the opposite will likely be the case. If students who would normally have been deterred by the high costs of college are able to apply, the level of competition at selective schools will increase. The only foreseeable problem with this plan is a ballooning enrollment beyond the maximum capacities of the state's colleges and universities.

The plan is also in line with California's unpopular Proposition 187 which barred affirmative action based on race. This law helps complete the shift from a race-based assistance system to an economically based system.

Although there may be students that abuse the system and waste California's offer of free public education, a majority of the students will take advantage of opportunities that were never available to them.

Higher education is not a right in this country. But this proposal will make it available to more than just the privileged.

This staff editorial originally appeared in the Duke University Chronicle.

Minimum wage needs to be raised

OXFORD, Miss. – A bill is currently before the U.S. Senate to raise the minimum wage by $1, from $5.15 to $6.15 per hour. This measure is necessary for the working people of America and Mississippi in particular. The time will never be better than now to raise the minimum wage.

The increase will come in two increments, a 50 cent raise in January 2004 and a second 50 cent raise in January 2005. Approximately 10 million Americans will be affected by the raise. It could mean up to $2,000 a year for a full-time minimum-wage worker.

In today's service-oriented economy, low-wage jobs make up an increasingly substantial part of the work force. However, it is nearly impossible to raise a family on even two minimum-wage incomes. A person working full-time under the new minimum wage will make about $12,792 per year before taxes, barely above the federal poverty line. Still, that's much better than the approximate $10,716 the same person earns per year right now.

Raising the minimum wage is especially important for Mississippi, which is perennially one of the lowest-ranked states in per capita income. One hundred seventy-five thousand Mississippians currently earn the minimum wage.

Critics of the minimum wage argue that to increase it would force small businesses to lay off workers to compensate for the additional expenditure, thus raising the unemployment rate. However, such a burst of unemployment did not materialize the last time the minimum wage was raised, in 1997. In addition, the bill includes a tax credit for small businesses to help compensate for the cost of paying workers more.

In the end, $40 per week means much more than a single mother trying to make ends meet or a former welfare recipient trying to make it in the "real world" than to a business owner. Raising the minimum wage is important that, instead of partisan bickering over every few years, it should simply be tied to the Consumer Price Index like Social Security and be allowed to rise along with inflation.

This staff editorial originally appeared in the University of Mississippi Daily Mississippian.

The Accent is happy to serve you

The 2006-2001 Southern Accent staff would like to welcome everyone back. We plan to work hard this year to provide you with an informative and interesting newspaper.
Front row: Jonelle Wasmer, Elva Cayabyab, Keith Pulfer, David Fournier
Second row: Daniel Olson, Cady Van Dolson, Billy Gager, Dusty Kirschmann
Third row: Joe LaCom with Bert the Flamingo, Kyle Baldwin, Matt Bosley
Back row: Jennifer Williams, Michelle Younkin, Jolene Harrell, Jason Arnold, Harmony Tillerson, Dave Leonard
Not pictured: Morgan Kochenower, Sholly Scarlett, Louis Licht, Mandy Shearer, Dennis Negrón

Coming soon . . . the Accent online

SA needs you

This year's Student Association (SA) is no different from any another.. will provide social activities (hopefully along the same venue as the "Welcome Back" Party), and promote student issues and rights to the University's administration. However, the SA's job will be a lot easier if it has some vital help from people whose involvement is critical for its success or failure. Those people are you, the students.

There are many ways you can help, whether it be in the Senate, the Social Committee, the SA Publications and Productions, the Judiciary Council or other SA posts.

Today you will choose from a diverse group of over twenty individuals who will serve as this year's SA **Senators.** When voting, think about what you want your SA Senator to do for *you*. Will they be responsible stewards of *your* concerns and interests? How effectively will they advocate *your* issues, and can they get results? Can they practice what they preach? In short, can they hand *real* issues for *real* people? Though many SA Senate races only have one candidate, the above questions are still applicable to them. Your SA Senators should not be "laissez-faire" about their duties, and you have every right to hold them to certain standards of excellence and responsibility.

If you want to be involved in the planning of different SA social activities, contact **SA Social Vice-President Laramie Barber.** It was his SA Social Committee that planned and executed this year's "Welcome Back" party, and they have to go through the same process for many more events.

A lot of hard work goes into making the four SA

Dave

Leonard

Publications and Productions (*Accent, Joker, Memories*, and *Strawberry Festival*). Writers, reporters, photographers, graphic/layout specialists and other such-like individuals are needed to put together these publications and productions, and for meeting the qualities of near-perfection that are required. If you want to get involved, talk to **Cady Van Dolson, Accent editor; Mandy Shearer, Joker editor; Carla Mallernee, Memories editor; or Wes Hall, Strawberry Festival producer.**

Rest assured, they want your help.

The **Judiciary Council** is SA's version of the U.S. Supreme Court. Its membership rules on the constitutionality on any action by any SA branch. Though it has not been too active in years past, it is one more way to get involved with SA.

There are a slew of **other SA appointments** to different University committees. Whether it is to the Faculty Senate, the Student Services Committee or even the Film Review Subcommittee, students are allowed to have input on major school policies. SA President David Warden is looking for committed students. Perhaps you are one of those students he is looking for.

Finally, SA is what you make of it. It can be boring or interesting, ineffective or accomplished, mediocre or outstanding. I challenge each and every one of you to leave your imprint on this year's Student Association.

Dave, a senior mass communications major, is a former terrorist on political asylum in the United States.

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Vote today in Senate elections

And they call this torture

"You must be wasted."

My roommate came into the room to find me lying on my bed not wanting to go to my 8:00 class, my eyes glazed over from lack of sleep.

Yes, I was wasted.

I spent the entire night on Tuesday in the Accent office with my copy editor until 7 a.m. producing the fine newspaper that you all know and love.

There is a reason why only one person ran against me for the position of Accent editor. There is a reason why the editors for Memories and Joker ran unopposed.

They call this torture.

Yes, torture.

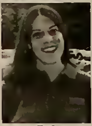
Few people can fathom why anyone in their right mind would want to get an average of 10 hours of sleep a week (no joke) to toil over a college newspaper or yearbook that half the campus doesn't even look at.

But it's fun.

Despite the technical difficulties and missed deadlines, my staff and I find ways to make our jobs enjoyable. Our meetings turn from serious to laughter in a matter of minutes.

We joke around and are always there for each other (hey, they even promised to dedicate an entire issue to me if I unexpectedly die during the year).

I don't know what I would do without the Accent. I would be lost. I have been working in this office for the past three



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Van Dolson

years, and it has become a second home to me. I have made many friends in this office who will probably be friends forever. There is a certain bond that is made between people working together on a weekly publication.

I can't even imagine what my life would be like without the Accent.

If I wasn't on the Accent, I would be able to get at least 5 hours of sleep a night.

If I wasn't on the Accent, I probably wouldn't have my wonderful job at the Chattanooga Times and Free Press.

If I wasn't on the Accent, I probably wouldn't have made the friends and memories that I have and cherish.

And, even though I get weird looks from people when I say it, I love my job. I love the news and I love the people I work with (my staff and my fellow Student Association officers).

And, though we got off with a rocky start due to technical problems, I hope you will be enticed to read the fruits of our labor. We've worked hard.

Those of you who see me stumbling into class on Wednesday morning, my head bobbing back and forth as I try to stay awake, you will now know why.

And on Thursday morning, when the Accent is placed in its stands, you will also know why I do it and why I am so proud to be a part of such a wonderful newspaper.

Cady is a junior English major from Tennessee. She is editor of the Accent.

Claustrophobia

I hate invading other people's personal space on accident.

My standard dialogue lately has been, "Oops, sorry. Didn't mean to elbow you." "Oops, sorry. Didn't mean to sneeze all over your books."

Oops, oops, oops.

Every time I leave my room I feel like I get lost in an absolute flood of humanity. There are just so many people. Life at Southern is like, straight out of National Geographic or some other show that has lots of busy animals crowded into a small pen.

Administration, are you reading this? A SMALL PEN.

The jam-packed feeling of being swept involuntarily across the floor by a wave of people freaks me out.

It makes me realize how easy it is for all the noise of life to drown out the small, peaceful things that make life enjoyable.

Life is so loud and flashy and deafening and tiresome.

I spent last week in a tumultuous panic. I sped to class and work, with small intermissions spent in claustrophobic fear at the Week of Spiritual Emphasis meetings.

What I really needed

Harmony

Tillerson

was quiet, but I didn't think I had time to find it. I was too busy being loud.

That panicky, out-of-control feeling began to set in. Like when things are a blur and the days run together and as soon as you lie down the alarm goes off and you feel like you're in this constant cycle of hum-drum life.

Like a gerbil.

So I got off work Wednesday afternoon, and was powering down the sidewalk from Brock to the cafe when it began to rain.

I hate getting rained on.

I made it to that bulletin board shelter thing on the promenade before the major downpour, which I was thankful for.

But I was hungry and I was damp. I stood there in disgust as rain plummeted out of the sky and wondered how long I would have to wait before it stopped.

I did, after all, have to go to the cafe, and there was no way I wanted to fight the mammoth crowds and see everyone and their mother with squishy sandals and gooey hair.

I felt like a fruitcake.

As I stood there, I eventually resigned myself to the fact that I was stuck, and I began to enjoy the peaceful quietness that I found.

All I could hear was the rain. There were no people. Just me and a few spiders that kept crawling on my backpack.

It was the most relaxing experience I could have asked for at that moment. And I was sorry to leave when the rain stopped.

Take time to be at peace. If you don't, God will find a way to make you shut up.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

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My dream for a new school year

The blue-gray sky blended in with the water. The mist floated over the wet dock. My eyes searched desperately. I was alert of even the smallest movements.

If only I could find my brother. He was somewhere around here, or did they take him away? If only I could find him before they found me.

I was getting tired and I knew I couldn't swim much longer. *God help me.* The water was so cold and the waves were so rough. It seemed that even the earth was falling apart, coming to it's end.

I put my frozen fingers on the dock's edge. The moments lingered on. My mind was racing. I was praying with all my might.

"Don't give in, please remember Jesus." I whispered aloud, hoping somehow my brother would feel my encouraging words. I stared straight ahead. Was that him or ....it was! He was running fast. He was almost close enough for me to reach out and touch. Our eyes met and my heart pounded.

Suddenly, I was ripped out of the water by the men that had been following us. My brother yelled out to me. Our hands touched for only a split second. I yelled back as they began to drag him away. "Always remember Jesus, always remember..."

That was it. I had no strength left inside of me. I fell to the ground. Regret, fear and saddness overwelmed me more than the pain I felt.

Opening my eyes, I searched my room. I closed and opened my eyes once again.

Amber

Risinger

Then I realized that what I had thought was only a dream was in one sence reality. I knew that Jesus was trying to tell me to remember Him.

My life had been so cluttered with my own worries I had not said anything of importance to Him for weeks. Laying there in my bed, I prayed.

"Dear Jesus, I'm so sorry that I have put so many things before you. Please forgive me and save us all. Help me to remember that you're the most important thing in my life".

This school year is yet another beginning in our lives. As time goes on, we gain even more responsiblities and we have more opportunities available to us.

Keep in mind that this life is temporary and it could end at any moment. Our lives here on earth are precious, but not as precious as the life to come. Will your heart and soul be ready to see Jesus when He comes back? Please remember Jesus this year. Don't let one day go by with out talking to Him. He misses you. Jesus is what life is all about.

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 11:25-26

Amber is a sophomore psychology major from Virginia.

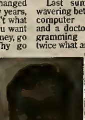
My advice to pre-med students

So you think that you are going to be a big doctor. You have to work a little harder in college, but you know it will all pay off when you have your big house and drive your brand new Mercedes.

Think again.

Medicine has changed a lot in the last few years, and the money isn't what it used to be. If you want to make a lot of money, go into business. Why go through four years of med school and five years of residency if you just want money? Many doctors still make a good salary, but there are much easier ways of geting rich.

So if money is not a good motivation, why should someone go into medicine or any other career, for that matter?



Jonathan

Geach

After listening to David and Cherie Smith's talk on Sabbath, I believe more than ever that we should be called into our careers. When you know what God has planned for your life and how you can best serve him, it is truly amazing.

So how can you find out if you are actually being called into your career?

Try it! I had no idea of what I was getting into until I worked for a summer at a doctors office. It was really ironic. The realities of medicine today were not at all what I expected.

Yet I loved the work and the people so much that the problems really didn't matter anymore. Although medicine worked for me, it wasn't the first career I tried.

Last summer I was wavering between being a computer programmer and a doctor. Since programming paid about twice what any other job I could offer, I tried it.

It was fun and interesting and I liked working at a big company. However, it was not for me. I just wasn't cut out for that career. Yet I am glad I had that experience. It really helped me narrow my choices and I had a lot of fun in the process.

The moral: You will never know what you want to do for a career until you try it. Ask God what he thinks. Let him guide you. I am glad that God doesn't just call preachers. He needs good workers in every field. God calls everyone to serve; we just need to listen.

Jonathan is a senior chemistry major from Georgia.

Life's little details

In every life there are those events that form the core of existence from that point forward. An event like this came very early to me in a melding of squealing rubber, crumpling metal and shattering glass.

My father is blind. So often I have considered with puzzlement questions about what it's like to have a blind father. This is the only kind of father I remember. Only recently have I realized how an event beyond the reach of my memory has shaped me.

Mother's Day 1980 found my father riding his bicycle home from work. The details of what happened have never been clear. A terrified 17-year-old told several different stories, and my dad has no memory of the accident. What is clear is that my father rocketed into the windshield of the boy's car and thudded to the pavement, bloodied and unconscious.

After six weeks in the hospital, my father was released, a newly blind person with no way of knowing what the future held or how to face it. I wonder now, how did my parents face such a terrifying future in a place where they had lived for

Jolene

Harrell

less than a month, miles from family, so young and scared?

Now my dad is a national speaker for his profession and has twice been elected the president of the Florida Society for Respiratory Care. He and his dog guide travel, shop and work together. My parents don't often talk about the accident, but when they do, they speak of God's power through their most difficult moments.

My life has been molded by that accident. I have learned that we all operate with some type of disability, and learning to appreciate each person's unique gifts is fundamental for God's children. I have learned that sometimes God asks us to follow even when we can't see where He's leading. And by understanding the incredible faith of my parents, I have learned that there is no joy that compares to knowing the supreme love of the One Who never leaves us to struggle alone.

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I swear I left my car here somewhere

By Steve Baughman
Staff Writer

Has this ever happened to you? You walk all summer for your favorite band to come to your city to put on a show. You get all excited and get

tickets for you and your friends.

You think all day about how wonderful the show is going to be and you listen to all your favorite CDs on the way to the show to get even more pumped up. Then when you get there, you find out that the dumb venue is charging $10 just to park.

Well, this was the scenario I found myself in a few days ago. I didn't want to have to walk 3 miles but I didn't want to shell out the extra money just to park my car. So being the thrifty, cost-effective guy that I am, I decided to just park down the road a little bit at a movie theatre parking lot.

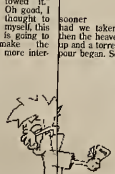
After a great concert, my friend and I were walking back to the car, singing the songs of the night, when all of a sudden it became evident that my car had magically disappeared.

I stood there, dumbfounded for a few minutes, not wanting to come to grips with the fact that my chariot had been relocated by someone other than me. I decided that maybe I should go and say something to the nice policeman who was standing by the theatre entrance, so I said to the kind man, "Sir, it appears that my car is no longer where I left it just a few short hours ago." To which the kind man replied, "Oh yeah, well we probably towed it." Oh good, I thought to myself, this is going to make the night a little more interesting.

I soon learned from talking to the policeman, who turned out to not be so nice, that I wasn't supposed to park in the "PARK" ing lot, that my car was consequently removed, that it'd cost me $140 to get my car back and that I couldn't use the movie theatre phone unless I bought a movie ticket. When I inquired as to where I could find a phone I could use, I was informed that there was a gas station about 3 miles down the road that probably had a phone.

I thanked the kind offer for making my night a little more eventful and set out on my journey.

No sooner had we taken 10 steps then the heavens opened up and a torrential downpour begun. So there we were, in sandals and shorts, in the only monsoon to ever hit North Carolina in recent years, hiking down the side of a highway that was having its shoulder



worked on with cars flying by us honking as if we didn't already know that we were perilously close to becoming road kill.

Well, we made it to the gas station and were informed that, yes in fact, my car was towed and that, yes, it would cost me $140. When I asked how exactly I was supposed to get to the tow truck place (which was actually called Big Daddy's) seeing as how they had taken my car, the guy on the phone was actually stumped. In fact, here's how the actual conversation went:

Me: "So how am I supposed to get my car back?"

Big Daddy: "Well, if you come over here, we'll give it to you"

Me: "And how do I get there...you took my car?"

Big Daddy: "Oh yeah, I hadn't thought of that"

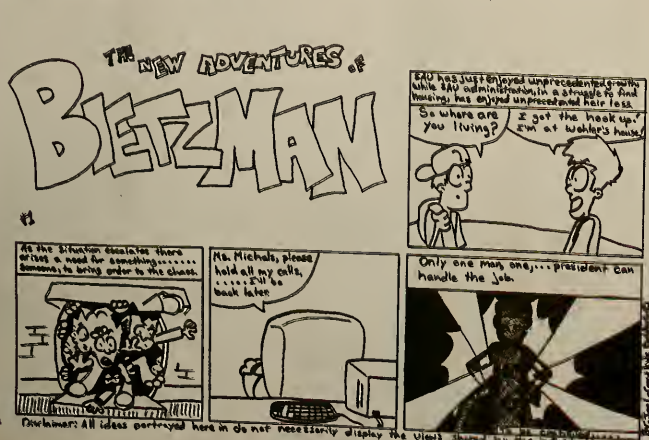
Anyways, they ended up giving my friend a ride in their tow truck to the place while I was left sitting in a Citgo parking lot until 4am. I'm not sure if you've ever been in a Citgo parking lot in the rain at 4 am but it isn't exactly the most exciting way to spend the evening.

Upon reflection, I've learned several very valuable lessons from my experience, but I think the most important is that whenever you're going to a concert, take a friend's car.

Top 10 Adventist Pick Up Lines

by Rob York

10. That's quite a set of ethics you got there.
9. How 'bout we go back to my place.....and read Song of Solomon?
8.My name's not John, but you're giving me a revelation.
7.Didn't the King's Heralds write a song about you?
6. Would you like to dance?...yeah?....me neither!
5. Tofu should taste as good as you look
4. I'm thinking...you, me, dinner, and 3abn.
3. Jacob would have worked 15 years for you.
2.So what are you doing after the Millenium Seminar?
1. Some people say I look like Dwight Nelson.



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LONDON — Tankers ed back to the pumps in -starved Britain Friday r most fuel tax protest pulled back. The protest , however, did not stop as icked up steam through Europe, with truckers nching actions in the therlands and Spain. ll reported that 20% of its mps would be fill by the ekend, but motorists are ng warned it could be eral days, even weeks ore pumps are fully back normal. While Belgian ckers began to lift their tests, truckers in Ireland an staging go-slow tests and truck and taxi vers in the Netherlands cked roads and blew r horns.

SEOUL, South Korea Ford Motor Co. said Fri it will not make a final for South Korea's debt bled Daewoo Motor Co. Ford decision casts bt on the country's rts to restructure its t-ridden industries. Government regulators said t Daewoo Group, which ludes Daewoo Motor, falsified its financial ks to conceal debts total $20.6 billion. Prosecu s are looking at filing rges against Daewoo's nder and 20 other former current executives. r the Ford deal fell ough, South Korea's ncial markets briefly k a plunge, as the Korea mposite Index fell 4.2%.

DILI, East Timor — cked by four U.S. Navy ps, hundreds of heavily med Marines moved onto island of East Timor ursday, delivering manitarian aid and ready defend against any threat militia gangs Last week, itias killed three U.N. aid kers in neighboring st Timor and other gangs e killed two U.N. peace pers in East Timor in ent clashes. The aid was vided to humanitarian ups based there to dis ute to the island's needy.

NEW YORK — A lawsuit using the Royal Dutch roleum conglomerate of ping torture and murder erian activists can be rd in New York rather n in England, an appeals rt ruled Thursday. Plain s' allegations target sub iaries operating under parent companies — the therlands-based Royal tch Petroleum and tish-based Shell Transrt and Trading. The suit eges Nigerian forces re hired to suppress position to the firms' oil jects.

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Campus Shop has needed textbooks back in stock

Bookstore receives replenishment of needed textbooks.

by Jason Arnold
News Editor

Many students started classes this semester without one vital element, their textbooks. The Campus Shop ran low on books this semester, and there are many factors that caused the shortage.

Whether it is a lack of communication between teachers and the bookstore. A shortage at the publisher could be to blame as well. Another reason could be another section of the class opened up unexpectedly.

The single dominating reason for the shortage is that infamous enrollment increase.

The Campus Shop tried their best to keep up with the high demand for textbooks. With around 600 titles to maintain the task can prove daunting.

Bonnie Myers, Campus Shop textbook buyer, is primarily responsible for this task. Myers said that two large shipments of textbooks were lost in shipping.

When a shipment is lost the publisher will not ship the books again for a few days, hoping the books will show up. This then puts pressure on the Campus Shop as students come in to get books that have not yet arrived.

The Principles of Accounting textbook was one of the major shortages this semester. Myers said the store had 80 textbooks for a class that was originally slated for 74. In actuality the class ended up with 130 students, again shorting the bookstore.

Rita Wohlers, Campus Shop

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New bicycles available to ride

by Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

The trek from Brock Hall to the Hickman Science Center may be easier as 21 new bicycles will be put into use today for students to use as transportation around campus.

"The bicycles are a great idea and they come in handy," said Manny Vela, sophomore theology major, who rode one of the bicycles from Summerour Hall to Wood Hall on Tuesday.

"They should buy [a bicycle] for me personally," Vela joked.

The Student Association Senate voted last year to purchase bicycles with the Senate's project fund for students to use around campus. Brandon Nudd, last year's SA vice president, originally presented the idea after Scott Collins, SA senator, suggested it to him. Nudd saw the success of the bicycles when the SA visited Walla Walla College last year for a student government conference.

"I couldn't believe how much the students loved the bikes at Walla Walla," Nudd said.

The bicycles were purchased in May from Scott's Bicycle Shop in Cleveland, Tenn. The royal blue bicycles are 1-speed and use pedal brakes.

Four bicycles have been in use since Monday; the rest will be released today. Guidelines for bicycle use will be addressed during convocation.

The bicycles are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and can be ridden anywhere on campus, which includes Collegedale Academy, married student housing and the Southern Carton Industry. A complete map is available in Campus Safety's Vehicle/Traffic Regulations handout. Two

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Contributed photo

How low can you go?

Laura Ashlock, senior psychology major, and Niki Welch, junior psychology major, practice their guitars on Sabbath afternoon on the porch of the lodge at Laurelbrook where they slept. They are members of the small group leaders who went to Laurelbrook last weekend for their retreat. Please see story on page 2.

School of Journalism and Communication undergoes renovation

by Noelle Carlson
Staff Writer

The School of Journalism and Communication went through some major changes this summer. At the end of last school year, around mid-April, Plant Services started the renovation of first floor in Brock Hall. More space was needed for the offices and classrooms. There was also more space needed for editing videos and audio. In the past, the staff was scattered on all three floors of Brock Hall, which made it hard for them as well as the students.

Now the offices are in one room so it is convenient for the staff to be together and for the students to find the staff. There is also more space for the students to study and interact with each other. "It is much more efficient. We're able to access a whole library now. It's more accessible for the students," said Public Relations major Bethany Martin.

There were a couple problems, though, according to Dr. Volker Henning, dean of the School of Journalism and Communications. Plant Services had the responsibility of renovating Talge Hall's central wing. So they had to delay renovating first floor of Brock for a short time.

The other problem was bringing the first floor of Brock Hall up to fresh air ventilation standards, which would required bigger air units. Therefore, everything, including doors, had to be enlarged in order to meet these standards.

The change on the first floor of Brock Hall has brought positive feedback from the students in Journalism and Communications. "It makes the School of Journalism and Communications look more professional," said Carrie Garlick, a senior Public Relations student. Harmony Tillerson, a junior Public Relations major who is also a worker in the School of Journalism and Communications, said, "I feel free. There's so much space. I could do a cartwheel!"

Lynn Caldwell, campus executive director of the American Humanics department, is very pleased with the change.

"Because of the new facility, I now have an office for the American Humanics Stu-

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S.A. senators elected for school year

Ondrizek, Bokich, Shearer, Hyden win close races.

by Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

The last four senators for SA Senate were determined after voting was held last Thursday and Monday.

Paul Myers, SA vice president, said there was interest in the Senate, as he had no problem filling the 24 precincts with senators, but not enough students were interested to have competitive races in the precincts.

About 300 students voted in the elections, Myers said, attributing the low turnout to the fact there were so many single races.

The results from the four races were Troy Ondrizek defeating Brett Leggett in Precinct 1 (Talge Hall); Manuel Bokich defeating Patrick Crane in Precinct 7 (Talge Hall); Brad Hyden defeating Timothy J. Wilson in Precinct 20 (married student housing); Bob Shearer defeating Vernon Stewart in Precinct 24 (village).

"I [feel] happy because I have a chance to get involved and possibly make a difference," a victorious Ondrizek said. "I am basically [my constituents'] servant, and I will take care of their needs."

All the races were relatively close, Myers said, adding that one race was decided oy a single vole.

"From senator feedback I have received, the senators seem anxious to get involved," Myers said. "We have a good group with lots of experience with student government and different organizations."

2000-2001 Senators

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(Talge Hall 105-128; A2-A20)
Precinct 2: Gabriel Johnson
(Talge Hall 141-184)
Precinct 3: Jimmy Carter
(Talge Hall 201-236)
Precinct 4: Brian Arner
(Talge Hall 238-284)
Precinct 5: Rob York
(Talge Hall B1-C20)
Precinct 6: Andrew Korzyniowski
(Talge Hall 301-336)
Precinct 7: Manuel Bokich
(Talge Hall 338-384)
Precinct 8: Som Covarrubias
(Auxillary Houses)
Precinct 9: Carin Orange
(Thatcher Hall 100-143)
Precinct 10: BJ Champen
(Thatcher Hall 153-198)
Precinct 11: Marnel Niles
(Thatcher Hall 200-245)
Precinct 12: Ana Gomez
(Thatcher Hall 253-298)
Precinct 13: Kenia Rodriguez
(Thatcher Hall 300-348)
Precinct 14: Rebekah Jones
(Thatcher Hall 350-398)
Precinct 15: Brooke Naus
(Auxillary Houses)
Precinct 16: Robyn Kerr
(Thatcher South 102-136; 218-225)
Precinct 17: Matt Mundall
(Thatcher South 201-215; 226-242)
Precinct 18: Veliska Perumal
(Thatcher South 301-343)
Precinct 19: Heather Thielen
(Thatcher South 401-443)
Precinct 20: Brad Hyden
(Married Student Housing)
Precinct 21: Robert Roland
(Village A-E)
Precinct 22: Carlton Joy
(Village F-L)
Precinct 23: Barbara Valmont
(Village M-R)
Precinct 24: Bob Shearer
(Village S-Z)

McKee Library adding computer lab

by Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

A new computer lab on the second floor of McKee Library should open this week, according to Henry Hicks, director of Information Systems.

The new computer lab is a result of the increased use of the Hickman Science Center computer lab on first floor.

"The general lab is being moved to the library due to the number of classes we are having to teach and the number of labs sessions we have in the Hickman lab," said Jared Bruckner, associate dean of the school of computing.

McKee Library will have 16 new computers and a printer available for students to use when the library is open. The computers will include a web browser and Microsoft Office software.

"It's a good idea," said Joel Willis, pre-engineering freshman. "You can check out the library's resources and do Internet research at the same time, as well as print out assignments and check e-mail."

Melissa Willey, senior elementary education major, pointed out another advantage of the library adding a computer lab.

"It's close to the dorm," Willey said. Willey normally uses the computer lab in Summerour Hall, but said she would possibly use the library's lab.

"The library has wanted a lab," Bruckner said, adding that the lab will be smaller due to budget and space constraints.

There use to be two separate computer labs on the

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manager, said, there needs to be a better system to communicate with teachers and admissions regarding the number of books they need.

Another factor that caused the shortage was that some teachers didn't put their orders in until the week of registration, some as late as the day of registration, Wohlers said.

This late ordering put pressure on Myers to locate books, and this year the calendar was working against her.

With Labor Day falling on the first weekend of school Myers was unable to get books shipped until the Tuesday following the holiday. Even with the books being sent second-day air, they did not arrive until that Friday after the shop had closed.

Some students didn't have books until earlier this week.

Deanna Davis, a senior mass communications major, is taking video production and didn't get her book until earlier this week.

"It super sucks not having a book! I don't want to point blame, but I would like to thank Dr. Henning for lending me his book," Davis said.

The book Davis needed was in a bundle with a workbook and a CD-ROM Myers said that bundles are put together by a separate company from the publisher, and if one part of the bundle is unavailable the whole bundle is slowed down.

Wohlers said that there is no one to cast blame upon, but registration was just so crazy it caught everyone off guard.

The Campus Shop has gotten all their shipments in now. The two lost shipments have now arrived, and Myers and Wohlers said that most books are now in stock.

After a tough start the Campus Shop is back on track. Myers said, "we're in good shape now."

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dent Association. So now this new student training program has it's own place that helps promote growth."

Ms. Caldwell's office was isolated in the corner of a hallway, away from the main office, in a tiny space.

"I finally have a big office where three people can fit," she said.

She feels that now with the offices in the same place, it "really adds efficiency in the work."

There are still a few jobs left before the completion of this whole process. Overall, though, the students and faculty are excited about this change and are happy to be learning and working in easier surroundings. Janita Herod, office manager of the School of Journalism and Communications, added, "I'm glad summer is over. I'm glad to be where we are now and that most of the dust is settled. I would also like to give special thanks to Plant Services for their work here."

BIKES

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places that are off limits for the bicycles include the Biology Trail and stairs.

There are other guidelines to follow when using the bicycles. Each bicycle has a card, encased in plastic and attached to the crossbar, that states the bicycle is property of Southern and includes the bicycle's rules. Some of the rules include having one rider at a time and not storing the bicycles in individual or dorm bicycle rooms. Resident assistants and deans will check the aforementioned places. Eddie Avant, director of Campus Safety, said that a $14 ticket will be issued to students that store one of Southern's bicycles in their room.

"And if the bike is found off-campus," Avant added, "that student can be charged by the city with theft."

Each bicycle contains a bar code that allows Campus Safety and SA to track where the bicycles are and how they are being utilized. An additional responsibility of Campus Safety officers on-duty will be to use an electronic device to record the bicycle's location.

Avant said that no bicycles have been reported stolen in his three years at Campus Safety.

While on the road, students are subjected to the same traffic rules as vehicles.

Paul Myers, SA vice president, said that a student will be hired for bicycle maintenance such as keeping the tires inflated

"I hope the bicycles are respected and not abused by the students," Myers said. "Especially since they paid for them."

LAB

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first floor of Hickman, but the applications lab – which was used to teach engineering and desktop publishing classes – has been merged with the general lab, now known as the School of Computing lab.

Also the School of Computing lab is no longer a general lab, as it is open primarily in the late afternoons and evenings. The increase of students and the addition of a Computer Systems Administration major required more class time use of the lab.

The School of Computing lab features the software applications used in the advanced lab. Twenty-one new computers have been added to the lab.

The School of Computing lab is open Sunday, 1 p.m. – 11 p.m.; Monday, 10 a.m. – 11 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday, 3:30 p.m. – 11 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Small group leaders retreat

by Zane Yi
Assistant Chaplain

Cool, fall like weather, a rustic lodge in the mountains, a crackling fire all provided the setting for this year's Small Group Leaders' Retreat. A group of about 40 students left from Wright Hall on Friday night to spend Sabbath at Laurelbrook Lodge. Students were blessed by inspirational messages from Dr. Doug Tilstra, a new professor in the School of Religion. On Friday night, the group took part in an afterglow communion service. Saturday was filled with worship, workshops on essential skills for small group leadership and hiking. The weekend ende with a night-time hayr under a star-spattered sk Everyone returned to ca pus by Saturday nig blessed, and excited abo their groups.

If you're interested joining a small group stop b the Campus Ministri Office.

Contributed ph

Small group leaders arm up by the fire at Laurelbrook Lodge where they stayed last weekend for their retreat.

Some colleges drop SAT requirement

by Maribel Moray
The Observer

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (U-WIRE) – At 8 o'clock in the morning on certain Saturdays, classrooms across the country are cluttered with rows of identical desks. High school juniors and seniors wait outside with their calculators, pencils and IDs, nervously anticipating the 500 bubbles they will have to fill in. To some students, the SATs are part of the college process, but this is no longer the case for students applying to 285 accredited American colleges and universities who have eliminated standardized testing requirements

Such universities include Indiana State University, Wayne State University, City University of New York, Middlebury College and Dickinson College.

Six years ago, Dickinson chose to make SAT scores an optional part of the application.

"Dickinson has always downplayed SATs. We've always seen those 'A' students in high school who have test anxiety and don't test well, and we tell them that it's ok," said Krist Leach, associate director of admissions at Dickinson. "They like that and it makes them more interested in Dickinson."

Students have the option to submit their scores when they apply to Dickinson. Some students who did not submit their scores have had the opportunity to attend schools otherwise unaccessible to them.

"Had we had their SAT score and only being in the 900s, it would have probably jeopardized the decision. They would probably be on the waiting list," Leach said.

For ranking purposes, Dickinson only reports the SAT scores submitted to the institution.

Because of this discrepancy between the reported average student SAT score, Dickinson was dropped from "highly competitive" to "less competitive" in college ranking magazines after its first year with this policy. Since then, however, Dickinson has regained its place among "highly competitive" colleges.

Even though Dickinson managed to remain among ranked colleges, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's will not be leaning in this direction any time soon because, according to both schools, SATs are a good indicator of how a student will perform during freshman year.

"If you make it optional, who's going to submit it? Of course, the ones who scored high," said Bob Mundy, director of internal operations in the Notre Dame undergraduate admissions office. "I don't see any piece of the application dropping, and the higher the SAT score, the more likely you are to do well here."

Mary Pat Nolan, director of admission at Saint Mary's, agrees.

"This is the only type of standardized information a committee would have on a student, and I honestly don't think many schools are going away from the SAT option."

Leach agrees that most schools cannot eliminate these standardized exams

"At bigger universities, they need SAT scores because of the sheer quantity of applications. I don't think it would work at another institution," he said.

Nolan is also concerned that without the scores, students would be misplaced the College.

"It's a predictor of doi well in Saint Mary's. would never want to ch lenge a student beyond h ability," she explained.

"It's a good idea to ha SATs as a standard becau everyone comes from diff ent schools," said Kat Bekhit, a sophomore s ence pre-professional maj

The Notre Dame adm sions office does find a co nection between scores a academic success.

"We look at 200 stude who have scored 1500 above and 200 students w are above 1200. When fre man grades are finish there are more 3.8s in first group than in the ond group," said Mundy.

Unlike many studen Tom Smith, also a sop more science pre-prof sional major, believes t the test did measure his a demic abilities.

"Standard testing is accurate and necess means of evaluating h school students," he said.

Both Notre Dame a Saint Mary's stress t scores are only a part of process

"We don't even have a mula for accepting – it's even that scientific," No said

Another considerati has to do with the fact students come from dif ent parts of the world. W students of different cult and linguistic backgrou one standard Ameri exam such as the SAT p a problem.

"I grew up with two guages, and my pare couldn't have taught English as well as your ents could. Even stuff that affected me on SAT," Bekhit said.

P.A.W.--How to handle stress

Stress is when life's demands seem too heavy. You feel anxious and tense and may be aware that your heart is beating faster.

A certain amount of stress in our lives is unavoidable and a little may even be good for us. Some people claim they can accomplish more if they have a work deadline.

Too much stress, however, is harmful. Your body responds to stressful situations by raising your blood pressure and making your heart work harder. This is particularly dangerous if you already have heart or artery disease or high blood pressure. Stress is more likely to be harmful if you feel helpless to affect the problem or situation.

Your body reacts to stress in other ways, too. Symptoms like back pain, tiredness, headaches, muscle aches, heartburn, upset stomach, shortness of breath, high blood pressure, and weight gain or weight loss are often caused in part by stress.

Many office visits to family doctors are for conditions related to stress.

How does it occur?

Anything you see as a problem can cause stress in you. Different factors may cause stress in other people. Everyday matters can cause stress just as easily as by major problems.

How it is treated?

Exercise relieves pent-up energy. It also increases fitness, which helps your body cope with stress. Take up a sport, join an exercise group, or walk at least a mile a day. Try to exercise with other people because social contact helps relieve stress, too.

Coping Strategies

-Spend some time with God

-Take time outside and enjoy the fresh air and God's nature

-Take time for yourself. Set aside time each day especially for exercise or relaxation.

-Take time out for relationships. Sit and talk with family and friends.

-Join an interest group centered on a hobby, sport, or social activity

-Try to be prepared. Don't put things off and then have to struggle to catch up.

-Simplify your life. Don't try to do too much. Set goals you can achieve. Learn to say "no."

-Be willing to resolve disputes. Don't hold onto anger.

-Share your burdens. Just talking problems through will often resolve them.

-Don't worry about things you can't control.

-Don't roll all your troubles into one large, insolu one. Break down the diffi ties into the smallest p and then work on the eas part first. Build on succe

Upcoming Events w PAW:

Sept 30: All night Softb 8:30pm

(Come and buy f to help raise money for P and CABL)

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More details come...

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U. Illinois student pays for college by pushing some buttons

By Kara Salge
Intern Dail

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (U-WIRE)– George W. Bush and Al Gore are paying for Brian Richards' college education.

He sells campaign buttons at political rallies to earn money for school.

"Of course, this year I took the year off, it being an election year and everything," he said.

Richards said the money he expects to earn this election season – about $30,000 – will be enough to cover part of his tuition to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

He has been following the candidates to campaign events since April, selling buttons to supporters in about 50 cities so far this election year.

"I've been just about everywhere I can go," he said at the Bush rally in Indianapolis Sept. 6. "I'm walking to go as far as I can go in a car."

Many other souvenir vendors follow campaigns of both parties selling memorabilia to supporters who want mementos of their trip to a political rally or are looking for a way to express their loyalty to a candidate.

Daniel Richards, Brian's older brother, has been in the business for 20 years.

My grandpa and his grandpa started working campaigns in the early '30s selling buttons," he said.

He runs a wholesale company in Springfield, Ill., that specializes in buttons and other gifts like T-shirts and lapel pins for both the presidential and congressional races. He said working political events has given him a chance to see the country.

"You get to see the American people come out for something that carries a lot of major importance," he said. "You get to see both sides of the story, you get to see voter turnout, you get to see who's coming out to support who, the different speeches – what they're going to do for American." He said the events have spurred conflicts, such as confrontations between people in some northeastern states over the Roe vs. Wade case.

"In Toledo, Ohio, I saw a fistfight break out between Gore supporters and Bush supporters," he said. "That was the first time for me."

Brian Richards said his work has drawn compliments from candidates themselves, like Republican vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney.

"Mr. Cheney, I gave him a button once," Richards said. "He said, 'Thank you very much, son. That's what I like to see, young entrepreneurs out here. You guys really know how to get the crowd pumped up.'"

The business of selling political novelties can draw in substantial business, said Robert Slater, co-owner of N.G. Slater Corporation. He said his company is the largest manufacturer of campaign buttons and political items in the world, selling to clients like the Democratic and Republican National Committees.

He said that while it produces buttons for various types of advertising, in an election year, the amount of business increases about 50 percent, or about $1.5 million. For vendors, the business can also be rewarding. But there can also be fierce competition between sellers at high-profile events, Brian Richards said.

"I've worked days at certain rallies where I've been the only one, and I've gone as high as $2,000," he said.

He said that because many of the same people travel to the same rallies, he knows who his competition will be.

"It's a real pain sometimes – so much competition sometimes," he said. "You think, 'Is it worth it?'"

For Daniel Richards, the business of selling buttons is about more than just the money. It's a way to complement the resurgence of interest in the elections by citizens who are frustrated with politics, he said.

"The people are wanting to make their voices heard. They're tired of just getting walked on by the government, by the political candidates," he said. "There's always a way to get the voice out and the message in, and the campaign buttons are a good way to do it."

New law encourages young voters

by Roxanne Jones
The Maneater

COLUMBIA, Mo. (U-WIRE)– University of Missouri students, staff and faculty recently received an e-mail from the Associated Students of the University of Missouri about a new federal law that states, "All universities must make a good faith effort to register as many students as possible to vote."

The 1998 law instructs colleges and universities to give students access to voter registration. It was created after alarmed lawmakers saw statistics that revealed fewer than one in five 18- to 24-year-olds voted in the 1998 mid-term elections.

ASUM has encouraged MU voter registration for 25 years. However, this year, the group will not be alone in its efforts. ASUM Executive Director Mary Anne McCollum said.

"Different organizations, as well as ASUM, are all going to be working together to have tables on campus so that students won't have to go very far if they are not registered," McCollum said.

Some designated registration sites include the Black Culture Center, the Multicultural Center, residence halls and Greek houses. Those locations have voter registration applications available, McCollum said.

Yet the turnout for young voters in November is still questionable. In the previous presidential election, only one-third of 18- to 24-year-olds cast a vote.

"I think most people don't think that every vote counts," MU senior Zara Ford said. "Even if they do think that their vote counts, they don't like the people who are running, and they don't want to vote."

One complaint from young constituents has been the lack of politicians who are addressing the youth of the country.

Sophomore Kelly Levick said the politicians themselves are to blame for the political apathy of young people.

"I think they should probably try do more to catch the attention of younger people," Levick said. "Make (the youth) a little more interested in (politicians) and make it easier for us to follow them."

Levick said she was ill-informed on the candidates' issues.

"I don't think I'm going to vote," Levick said. "If I could make an educated vote, I would, but I can't. I think it's just better if I don't vote rather than vote and not know anything about it."

Chancellor Richard Wallace said the candidates have trouble relating to youth because of one factor.

"I think the reason is in the statistics: Not many of them vote," Wallace said. "And if we could turn that around, then the candidates will come to where the votes are."

Wallace also said another reason youth may not be voting is the lack of military conflict and current economic prosperity.

Both presidential Democratic nominee Al Gore and Republican nominee George W. Bush are making an effort to reach young voters, campaign officials said.

The Gore camp is approaching the youth vote through its Web site, www.algore.com, said Alex Zaroulis, spokeswoman for Victory 2000.

"The youth vote is extremely important to us," Zaroulis said.

Gus Wagner, chairman of the Missouri Federation of Young Republicans, said his group is sending out information about Republican candidates specifically targeted to young voters.

McCollum said no matter what measures are being taken to gain the youth vote, it is up to the youth to make themselves heard.

"We are all asking, 'What more can be done to get you motivated to go out and vote?'" McCollum said. "And I think only you can answer that."

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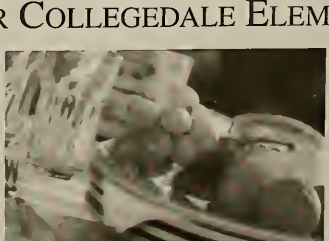

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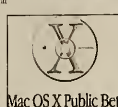
Mac OS X Beta released

by Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Steve Jobs of Apple Computer recently unveiled the much-anticipated new Macintosh operating system, Mac OS X. This release is not for everyone, however, it is a pre-release "beta" that lets Apple eliminate the most obvious bugs and glitches that were not discovered during previous trial versions. Being touted as "the future of Macintosh" according to Apple chief Steve Jobs, OS X is an effort to inspire a revolution in computing - a new interest in Macintosh. But don't expect the familiar look of previous Mac OS versions. OS X (pronounced "oh ess ten") is going to change all that.

Uninspiring gray buttons will be replaced with "jeweled" ones. Menus will be translucent. OS X includes a media player as well as a new user interface called "Aqua." Aqua operates much as a version of Microsoft's Internet Explorer and supports English, French and German. Advanced portable document format (PDF) features will be made available as well.



Okay, so OS X may look better, but will it work better? Just as the old user interface went the way of the trash can, so did the old "innards" of the operating system. OS X has been rewritten "from scratch" based on an open source UNIX kernel. This allows advanced user input much like another popular operating system, Linux. The new OS features "preemptive multitasking" which allows a user to continue using his or her computer even if a program crashes because each program is "walled off" from the others A computer administrator at Northwestern University has gone so far as to claim OS X will make crashes "a thing of the past."

Dual-processor PowerMac computers were also demonstrated (which elicited many cheers), as well as the new Office 2001 suite for Mac (which elicited many jeers). To get your hands on a copy of OS X, call 1-800-MY-APPLE

Webster says

For some people the Internet is their life. They spend hours downloading music, programs and even movies. Other people use the Internet so they can have a life. They are the ones who use the Internet to find out where the live music is, what are the programs that are going on and what movies are showing Here are a few websites that can help you know what is going on for the weekend, where it is taking place and how much it will break your wallet.

www.timesfreepress.com

This is "the place to go for the know" when it comes to finding out what is going on here locally. From this page, click on the blue "Weekend" link. There will be links to articles of interest on what is going on in the area, but that is really not what you want. What you want to do is scroll down to the bottom of the page to the black box on the right side. Within the black box you will have links to categories like live music, exhibits, area attractions, the great outdoors and much more. Click on what tickles your fancy and you will see a list that gives a summary of what is going on, where, what time it starts and how much it will cost. An added bonus is that not only does this site give details for the local scene, but also it occasionally includes events that are going on in Pigeon Forge and Nashville.

www.vaudevillecafe.com

I may be wrong, but not many people have heard of the Vaudeville Cafe, Chattanooga's latest dinner theater. During the week their waiters sing and do improv or rehearsed comedy routines as they serve you and while you dine. On Sundays they have a mystery dinner theater that starts at 6 p.m. Since no alcohol is served there and all their entertainment is family oriented, this might be the place to go to make a good impression on that first date. Check out their website to take a virtual tour and see if this is going to be your next weekend excursion.

www.tennis.org

This site has nothing to do with playing tennis. This is the site for Chattanooga's own Tennessee Aquarium. Check this site out to learn about the Aquarium's newest gallery "Venom," or learn about special events, travel adventures and outdoor adventures that the Aquarium holds throughout the year This site also contains a link for the Aquarium's IMAX Theater, which contains summaries about the movies they are showing, show times for those movies and updates on upcoming new films.

www.pigeon-forge.tn.us

Ok, Pigeon Forge is not exactly local, but everyone should at least go to this miniature golf Mecca once in his or her life. If you're going to make a weekend excursion to this Dolly Parton Paradise (the queen of country has her own theme park, Dollywood, in Pigeon Forge), check out this site to learn about the various attractions, shopping malls and dinner theaters that this city provides for your enjoyment.

www.citysearch.com

I like citysearch.com better than I do ticketmaster.com because citysearch is more specific and detailed for local events, venues and places to dine. Ticketmaster.com is an informative site when it comes to performers, groups, and theater that are already popular and mainstream. With citysearch.com, you get a better feel for everything that is going on in Atlanta, Knoxville, and Nashville that fits your tastes and interests An added bonus to this site is its "Map It" links that allow you to get step-by-step directions to your event should you not know the area that you are traveling to like the back of your hand.

www.hollywood.com

OK, OK, just about everyone knows about this site already, but this is for the few people who do not. Go to this site, click on "Showtunes" and type in Chattanooga. After a few seconds you will have a list of all the theaters in the area, the films there and the show times.

Until next time,
Webster

Ask a geek

Dear Geek,
What does WWW stand for?
-Name Witheld

Name Witheld,
Please tell me that you only asked this to be a punk and waste my time. In the off chance that you really didn't know, it stands for World Wide Web. Incidentally, where have you been for the last several years?
-The Geek

Hey Geek,
My computer runs slow. Should I get a bigger hard drive?
-Computer Slow Lane

Slow Lane-
The only way that the size of your hard drive can impact the speed of your computer is if you have a really HUGE hard drive and are doing massive accessing of it. It sounds like you either need to upgrade your processor, or add some more RAM. I do not advise doing this yourself though, because the average end user does not know what kind of processor s/he has (i.e. Socket 3, Socket 5, Socket 7, Slot...) or what kind of RAM will work with the motherboard (i.e. 30-pin, 72-pin, PC-66, PC-100 ..). My advice - take your computer to a REPUTABLE repair shop (ask around...word of mouth is the best reference you can get), and ask their opinion, and give them a dollar figure that you cannot spend above. That way they won't sell you the moon when all you need is a pebble.
-The Geek

Web privacy

by Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Everyone's talking about the lack of privacy due to the Internet these days. Okay, maybe just the geeks, but the number of people who use the internet for communication, shopping and entertainment is growing and there is a rising sense of paranoia about what type of information can be collected about any given user.

Through numerous methods, web sites are collecting data with each user's visit. Amazon.com, for example, keeps track of what a certain user buys and cross-references it with previous purchases of that same user. In doing so they can customize the type of content provided to that user. If you buy a lot of classical music CDs, Amazon may present you with banner ads that would appeal to a typical listener of that type of music. Is this ingenious or intrusive? You decide. "This is the online equivalent of you going to the checkout and getting your wallet out to pay and the cashier goes through everything on your wallet to see what you have been up to," says Alan Fulmer, president of Youknowbest.com

The rising concern about privacy on the Internet is largely due to a few high-profile stories in the news these days. First, DoubleClick became involved in six private lawsuits over its privacy practices. The company considered matching their database of online activity with a database of demographic information about the user, thus matching an online identity with a "real" identity. The government has also been under fire from the European Union for its alleged involvement in Echelon, a satellite and communications spy network. The EU claims the NSA is intercepting many communications (including e-mails) of Americans as well as Europeans Yet another case with the government involves an existing tool used by the government to snoop on an Internet Service Provider's (ISP) server. If the government suspects a criminal is using the internet to conduct business, they may plant the Carnivore tracking software on that person's ISP to monitor their e-mail, web surfing or chat use. The problem that privacy advocates have with this software is that nobody knows what it actually does, other than the government, and it may be monitoring individuals who are not criminals. A third party group will be selected by the government to review the software and verify its legality. Janet Reno helpfully suggested a less ominous name.

While all of this news has sparked interest in the subject of Internet privacy, very few people are actually changing their behavior. Only 27 percent of Internet users think that tracking is helpful. Fifty-four percent consider it harmful, and 11 percent believe it both helps and hurts - yet few users do anything to protect their privacy. Concerned about your Internet privacy? Look for an article next week on how companies invade your privacy, and most importantly how to prevent that.

1-800-FRUSTRATION

by Janelle Wasmer
Technology Editor

I don't think I could count the number of times that I have needed to make an 800 number phone call, and not been able to get a line out. Apparently, I am not the only person who has experienced this strange and incredibly annoying sequence of events. It would appear that several of my fellow students also share the frustration.

Just a few days ago I was in my office (and for those of you who don't know me, I work for Information Systems) and a student came in to offer what she called "constructive criticism" about the fact that she and others that she knew could rarely get an outside line to make 800 number calls on. I hear this from a lot of people, every day.

It recently came to my mind that the vast majority of students here on this campus do NOT work in my office, and therefore do not know all the details of how our Southern Adventist University's phone system operates Speaking as both a student and also someone who works for Information Systems, I am going to try to explain how things are, and why no one can ever dial 1-800-CALL ATT or whatever other 800 numbers we all need to use.

Every time someone on campus dials a phone number that starts with 1-800, the phone call is sent out over a line specifically designated for 800 number phone calls. There are only 8 lines for 800 number calls. One might think that that is horribly inadequate, but we should also keep in mind that those lines are costing SAU $4800 per year Information Systems is currently working on getting more 800 lines without raising costs much.

In the meantime though, there are several things that we as students can do to ease the burden on the 800 lines.

For starters, everyone needs to STOP using those infernal calling cards that require that you dial an 800 number. Why? Well, it's really pretty simple. There are 8 lines, and almost 2000 students. That means that if 8 of us are using 800 number calling cards to talk to our snookums at Andrews or Mommy in Texas, no one else can make an 800 number call. Solution? SAU has pre-paid phone cards that you can buy at the ID ca[rd] desk. These calling card[s] do not use 800 numbers, a[nd] you are almost always su[re] to get a line out. You can u[se] the calling cards on camp[us] and off campus, domestica[l]ly or internationally. Mo[re] information about these ca[ll]ing cards is available at th[e] ID card desk

Secondly, if it is a conv[e]nient time for YOU to ma[ke] a phone call, odds are that [it] is convenient for me, and th[e] other 1,998 students her[e]. Your odds go down drastic[al]ly during peak hours. T[ry] placing your calls early [in] the morning.

If you absolutely HAVE [to] make the call now, and the[re] are no available lines, dial [9] after you dial the numbe[r]. This will put your call "[in] line" for the next availab[le] 800 line. Kind of like bei[ng] on hold while waiting for t[he] next available operator wh[en] you call your credit ca[rd] company. As soon as a li[ne] is freed up, your call will [go] through.

This having been said [I] am going to go back to m[y] office and finish clearing [all] of your voice mail boxes [in] the hopes that maybe, ju[st] maybe, you'll figure it o[ut] this time around.

Top 10 ways to tell that you have been online TOO LONG:

10 Instant Messages take too long.
9. You carry JPEGs of your significant other in your wallet.
8. You've worn out another one of those little rubber balls in your mouse.
7. You have ASDF JKL; permanently imprinted on your fingertips.
6 The only time you see the sun is on Solar LiveCam.
5. You actually say LOL instead of laughing.
4. The doctor told you to lose weight so you joined alt.recreation.users.gym
3. You have more names in your online address book than the Montana White Pages
2. The sweetest words you've ever heard are "you've got mail"
1. You laugh when people still refer to "." as a period.

MOUSEPAD

Best and worst of the web

by David Fournier
Staff Writer

Good Site of the week:

I was all poised to do a feature on http.//howstuffworks.com/ but I just checked it and their server is down or something. THAT IS NOT A GOOD THING. Maybe I'll recommend them anyway on the off chance that they get their act together and figure out how servers work and make theirs do so.

Alright first off I'll mention that their look is fine - a little cluttered but not overwhelmingly so. They have a little gear thing going on for their logo which is quite catchy with the nerd herd.

Content is where this site really kicks into gear. Do you want to know why airplanes fly? Do you want to know what happens inside your car that makes it go forward and backward when you put it in gear and press the accelerator? What is a sonic boom, and what does it have to do with going faster than sound? There are articles on all kinds of questions and the creators of the site post questions from their readers every week. Great stuff.

Bad Site of the week:

http://www.kareoke.com/index.htm

Yes my friends I bring to you kareoke.com. This is probably the most awful thing I've ever seen. It glares in the face of good taste and truly makes one want to shoot oneself. I te[ll you] like I am a lesser man [for] having seen this site.

Let me begin by mentio[n]ing that this site is done [in] all NEON colors. Yes tha[t's] right, NEON. Every bit [of] text is framed multiple tim[es] by bright multicolored b[or]ders of neon. I don't thi[nk] anyone should look at th[is] site and I hesitate to ev[en] mention it for fear that so[me] of you might actually subj[ect] yourselves to the tortu[re] that it is to gaze upon th[is] festering blight of a web-s[ite].

As for content I need [say] little. Kareoke. Its a[ll] about kareoke.

Have a great week ya'll

David

The Southern Accent

Science

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MIR survivor

by Janelle Wasmer
SCIENCE EDITOR

How many of you have ever wanted to be an astronaut? How many of you watched at least 1 episode of CBS' Survivor? NBC recently bought the rights to "Destination Mir" from Mark Burnett, producer of Survivor.

The whole point of this new show will be to send an ordinary American to the Russian space station Mir in late 2001 or early 2002. The applicants will be narrowed down to 15-20 finalists who will then go to Russia's Star City training facility to train alongside Russian cosmonauts.

The general idea is to weed people out who fail the underwater space-suit tests or throw up too much in the anti-gravity simulations until only one "survivor" remains. He/She will then board a Soyuz capsule, get launched into space and dock with Mir. Theoretically, this will all happen live on TV.

First announced in early September by Daily Variety, NBC will reportedly pay between $35-$40 million to

"Destination Mir" plans to launch one lucky gameshow winner into space.

have the sole privilege of broadcasting the catapaulting of an innocent civilian to a 14-year-old Russian rust-bucket that real austronauts almost died on in the not-too-distant past (anyone remember the onboard fire, repeated computer glitches, snags with the air circulation system and a collision with a cargo ship?). This amount presumably includes the $20 million fee that MirCorp, an Amsterdam based firm which has leased the Russian station, charges for a civilian tag-a-long. Does this include Accidental Death coverage? I hope so.

MirCorp has been known to take on paying passengers before "Destination Mir" was thought up. In June of this year, Dennis Tito, a rocket scientist/stocks mogul was the first person to drop $20 million on the table to pay for his ride into space. He is currently training for his trip to Mir.

As for the Survivor spinoff "Destination Mir"...will it ever get off the ground? I guess we will all find out before long. Incidentally, if you would like to be a contestant on the show, a website from the creators of the show will be set up soon with more information.

Beat the "Paper Mountain"

BY DR. JEREMY SIMS

Wherever you work, it is amazing how easy it is to accumulate paper, even in this age of electronic communications. Take a look at your work area. How much paper work do you have in your in/out tray, on your desk and in your filing cabinet. Like so many of us it might be a case of paper, paper everywhere and ne'er the space to work

The stress of information overload can be costly in terms of our working peace of mind. The answer? Have a regular purge. Go on - do it! Allow yourself the pleasure and discover how therapeutic it can be.

Each week set aside a special time to throw away (or preferably recycle) all that paper work you no longer need from your trays, desk and cabinets. Keep routinely to this purge time - allocate it in your timetable right now

If the thought of ditching paperwork fills you with dread - the "Will I/Won't I Need it Syndrome adhere to these guidelines,

i. If newspapers are more than a few days old chuck them - it's old news now.

ii. Magazines more than 2 weeks old: consign them to the recycle bin; the information will now be out of date.

iii. Memos more than a week old are now history - nobody will remember them anyway.

iv. Invoices, receipts not from the current financial year - destroy with joy they're done and dusted.

v Keep asking yourself, "Do I really need this material?" Studies have shown over 60% of filed material will never be looked at again. If you haven't looked at it in the last 3 months - bin it.

HealthChat 2000

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Return of Atlantis

by Melissa Bowen
STAFF WRITER

Let's face it, Southern is it's own sub-culture. That can be good thing, but then again... It's not so bad when you try comparing the dorm to living on a secluded space station all by your lonesome (you read that right).

By November, U.S. and Russian astronauts plan to have the 13-story International Space Station, stretching 150 feet from end to end, liveable and ready for control systems. Already three modules of the project have been completed, but work is slow. The team must pause to equalize air pressure between compartments and take air quality readings. The astronauts wear what looks like surgical masks and safety goggles, a precaution against household dirt. On Earth this dust stays on the floor, but in zero gravity it can really irritate the eyes and nostrils "You can clean a module as much as you can, but as soon as you get into zero-G, those loose particles start to float," lead flight director Phil Engelauf said.

Terrence Wilcutt, commander of what has been labeled Atlantis describes space living as "absolutely beautiful." Perhaps, but only to an astronaut. To us earthlings, these new living quarters, with industrial green service panels instead of walls, staterooms the size of broom closets and an open toilet in sight of the kitchen, might be a turn off. But to NASA's human space flight program, this space station represents a first permanent foothold in the heavens.

Wild, wild weather

by Melissa Bowen and Michelle Wright
STAFF WRITERS

My favorite scene in the "Wizard of Oz" is where Dorothy clings for dear life to Aunty Em's bedpost, their square house spinning wildly around the cellar. Storms like that intrigue me, and there is plenty of action. With heatwaves in Greece, wildfires across the west and flooding last month in India, extreme is the first word popping to my mind.

Weather researchers and meteorologists are breaking out their gaggets. From ice cores and tree rings, to barometers and computer stuff, they are all wondering could this be it? Global warming? The past decade (1990-1998) has contained the hottest years in history. Every year there is an average increase of half a degree in global temperatures. Chris Folland of the Meteorological Office in Bracknell, Britain says, "some people might like the effect of global warming, but it won't be all balmy summer evenings and mild winter days." Take this to heart the next time you ponder the coming week's forecast. The elements are playing tug of war. With a legitamate rise in sea level causing more hurricane probability, there is no wonder Hollywood came up with "The Perfect Storm." Moaning winds and blackened skies are becoming all too common.

So when you peer out of the blinds on some random afternoon and it's mimicking night, don't pull a Helen Hunt. Forget the recycled soda cans and run. Take note when you flip on the TV to the weather channel, and put on some extra sunscreen. And if you're planning a fishing trip, look into the sky. If you find yourself saying "Tut, tut, looks like rain," it may be the perfect storm. Pack up your bags and head for the hills, because we're not in Kansas anymore.

Ecstasy, GHB suspected in Johns Hopkins University senior's death

By Tom Gutting
THE JOHNS HOPKINS NEWS-LETTER

BALTIMORE (U-WIRE) — The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in New York City is still investigating the July 22 death of Johns Hopkins University undergraduate Jamie Wiest, 21

According to the New York City Police Department, however, drugs were likely involved.

Wiest, a rising senior and Biomedical Engineering major, collapsed at 6:50 a.m. at Twilo, a club on West 27th Street that was holding an all-night party.

Paramedics rushed him to St. Vincent's Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead at 7:55 a.m.

Ellen Borakove, director of public affairs for the Chief Medical Examiner, said that Dr. Barbara Sampson, who performed the autopsy, is awaiting test results before declaring the cause of death.

"We're still pending," Borakove said. "It can take anywhere from six to eight weeks to get the test results back."

Eyewitnesses told police that they saw Wiest take a drug — ecstasy, according to some — shortly before he passed out on the floor of the club, which is a converted warehouse located in Chelsea.

Club owners refused to comment on Wiest's death.

Peter Sullivan, a lawyer for Twilo, disputed the claims that Wiest ingested ecstasy, a drug that can lead to overheating, an increased heart rate and dehydration.

He told the New York Times that Wiest took gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB), a popular form of the "date rape drug."

Results from toxicology, histology (tissue) and neuropathology (brain) tests will determine what drugs were in Wiest's system, Borakove explained

New York City attempted to shut down Twilo two years ago, after New York University student Brigette Murray died in March 1998 of an ecstasy overdose at the club

During the undercover investigation that followed, police made 18 drug buys at the club. Twilo, however, remains open, pending the outcome of another city lawsuit.

In September 1999, the city sued Twilo, calling it a public nuisance and demanding its closure. A trial date has not been scheduled.

At Homewood, Wiest's friends are keeping his memory alive.

Sruti Nadimpalli, a senior, remembers congregating with Wiest and other friends to watch South Park.

"We were veritable cult members when it came to that particular show," said Nadimpalli. "And every time Jamie would see me, he'd recite, in his best Cartman accent, 'Oh look, another fippie. Hi Sruti.'"

Another friend, who preferred not to give her name, said she will always remember how selfless Wiest was.

"For a year and a half, he was the one I called for advice, for a smile for a complaint or anything at all," she said. "Mostly, I will remember Jamie as having the biggest heart of anyone on this campus. He gave more to others than he ever expected to have returned."

A memorial service is scheduled for Sept. 27 — Wiest's birthday — at the Inter-Faith Center.

A memorial fund has also been established, as well as a Web site at http://www.jamiewiest.com.

"Feverfew: a natural remedy for migraines"

BY DR. JEREMY SIMS

Feverfew is one of the most documented natural treatments for migraines. It is a herb which is related to the chrysanthemum and which has a distinct vasodilatory action when taken orally. In a good proportion of migraine sufferers, there is a quite notable reduction in the number of attacks after commencing treatment.

Generally, feverfew can be purchased as an extract. One or two tablets or capsules should be taken each day and the treatment continued indefinitely if required. The most active components of feverfew are known as parthenolides. Ensure that any product you choose contains these substances in significant quantity to ensure optimum effect.

Remember that feverfew should always be used as part of a complete treatment plan which also includes:

1. Cutting out triggers which you may have in your diet, e.g. chocolate, red wine and/or white wine, cheese and certain fish;

2. Stopping sources of caffeine - a well-known migraine trigger, especially if taken in great quantity. Caffeine is present in coffee, tea, chocolate and soft drinks;

3. Addressing factors which cause stress and alleviating them appropriately.

Always ensure that your family doctor is aware that you are taking feverfew - it is known to interact with certain drugs - and be guided as to his or her advice.

ä HealthChat 2000

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Meningitis vaccinations required for U. Maryland students

Amy Silva
THE DIAMONDBACK

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. – The University of Maryland will require all campus residents to be vaccinated against meningitis or sign a waiver within 10 days of arriving on the campus this fall or face being kicked out of campus housing. In response to a state law effective June 1, the University Health Center and the resident life office have sent out several mailings to campus students stressing the importance of complying with the new law

"At this point, we're waiting on the details of the law," said James Rychner, assistant director of resident life. "At some point students are going to be held to comply."

Students will be informed of their status at check-in and will be given 10 days to comply. If students fail to comply by the end of the drop/add period, campus officials will follow up and students may be asked to leave campus-owned housing if they still do not comply, Rychner said. Paulette Smith, coordinator for primary care at the health center, said she expects most students will wait to move in before they get the shot. The campus is taking steps to accommodate the expected rush for vaccinations once school begins

The vaccination costs $68 and can be charged to the student's financial account and paid along with fall charges

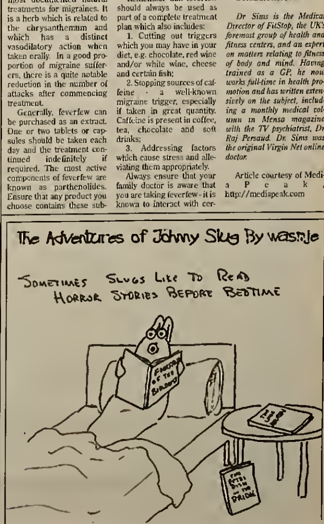
Students who wish to sign a waiver can access one online at those sites However, if students are under 18 years old, a parent must also sign the waiver.

Smith said she does not know how many students have already responded or how many of those have chosen to sign a waiver, although the received forms have been processed.

Erin Murray, who has been working on the project with the resident life office, said if she were to guess, she thinks most students will choose to sign the waiver. However, Rychner said he believes a substantially large number of students have gotten the immunization.

All students living in campus-owned housing must comply with the law. This includes campus-owned Fraternity Row and Graham Cracker chapter houses and residence halls. This does not include Terrapin Tower, University Courtyard Apartments, privately owned Greek chapter houses and the Graduate Hills and Graduate Gardens apartments.

The health center has set up a Web site containing information about the disease and the vaccine.



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Sports

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Sports scores

Blowout strains Team Brown's chemistry.

After beating Team Vincent 6-2 in their first game, Team Brown faced Team Richardson. Both teams came in winning their first game and didn't want to give an inch in the standings. As the game began, Adam Brown was pitching a shutout. Team Richardson wasted no time putting points on the board, beating Team Brown 11-2, with key hitting from Eric Dingman, Chad Gilmore, Zach Pratt, Kevin Johnson and Morgan Kochenower.

Royce Brown felt that the defense lost the game.

Wiehn 15 vs. Faculty 10

After getting waxed by Martin 17-2, Team Wiehn bounced back with an impressive win over the struggling faculty team.

"I feel that we stack up evenly with other teams. We have a strong outfield, it's just a matter of my guys showing up for games, and showing some consistency," said team captain Brian Wiehn.

It did not look good for Team Wiehn early on giving up eight runs in the first two innings, but they came back in the fifth and sixth with a two out rolly scoring the rest of their points.

Richardson vs. Faculty

The game started out with an overcast sky and temperatures in the mid 60's as both teams warmed up. It was obvious that the Faculty were not ready to play. They were desperately praying for rain, and rain it did.

Team Richardson is trying to contact the faculty team to schedule a make up game, but no time has been set.

"I prayed for rain," said Gordon Biete.

The faculty will be playing All Night Softball, and Biete feels like they will win.

"If we don't win, the winning team will be dismissed from school," Bietz said.

Go ahead and try it. My lawyer would have a hay day, and I'd end up owning this school.

While watching a faculty game, a seasoned commentator by the name of Emily Dunkel, a senior who is majoring in elementary education, said "Besides faculty, team Richardson is the only other team that sticks out as a team that can win it all." Later she said, and I quote, "Kevin Johnson is hot." I don't know if I agree with that.

Horinouchi 2 vs. Martin 1

This was a far cry from the double-digit scores of last year. The score could be attributed to great pitching or great defense. Geoff Martin was a beast on defense and altered where Team Horinouchi hit the ball. A lot of hits never went in the outfield making routine grounders a plenty.

Vincent 6 vs. Richardson 5

Monday night was actually a good night for softball, with many unexpected victories. Team Richardson lost 6-5 to Team Vincent. Team Vincent scored five cuns in the first two innings with good hitting from Royce Brown and Ricky Schwarz, well, basically their whole lineup hit well. But in the sixth and seventh innings team Richardson battled back to tie the game at 5. Team Vincent was just too strong this night though, winning in the bottom of the seventh.

There were some questionable calls made by Matt Maleshanko and Bryan Geach, having to make "Make-up" calls the whole game.

"I'm glad for their enthusiasm, but just take some time and make sure you get the call right, instead of having to go back and change it," said Kevin Johnson.

Big Dog Paul Myers leads his team into an emotional win over Knowlton

The RA's pulled out a close game with the help of one of the better-looking players in the league, Paul Myers. Paul did what he could but the rest of the team had to step up, and they did. James Houghton did some smart base running and was an emotional leader for the team. Has anybody else noticed the cheering section for the RA's, they are all girls, which is insane. It seems that every RA has a girl. Is it a requirement? One member of the RA team was not seen, the always-sexy Selwin Abraham, who I think was out with a couple ladies at the time. I'm still waiting for my source to confirm that. Donnie Lighthall made up for it though. Beaver Eller, for Team Knowlton, played well; so did Scott Knowlton and Bryce Fisher. This was not a game for defense, with both teams allowing key hits to slip by them allowing many cuns to score

Brown 18 Faculty 8

So far Faculty has been a doormat for the opposing teams. Team Brown had no mercy, driving up the score trying to prove that they should not be in the Girl's league. Team Brown has been on a tear since Team Richardson embarrassed them, by beating Team Benge by ten and Team Wiehn by 7.

I have breaking news for the school; I think I know why tuition is going up. Has anyone noticed the nice bags some faculty members use to carry around their sports equipment? And there is a report just in from an unreliable source that new team uniforms are on the way, and that a team bus is being purchased at the end of the season. I will keep you updated

Team Brown did a good job of picking out the weak links in the defense by hitting it to Eric Dunkel, I mean Shmeric Shmunel (I have to disguise names). My sources tell me that Team Faculty is desperately trying to trade Gordon Bietz, who is going through a rigorous rehabilitation assignment to prepare for the playoffs.

Martin 5 Richardson 4

Team Martin is used to just hammering teams, but not very many teams know that Geoff Martin, and Benjie Maxon are the weak links in the team's offense and defense. Team Richardson did a good job of exploiting these problems, testing each position.

Team Martin did a good job in crunch time, proving that they are the team to beat. They were able to come through in the bottom of the seventh with the score tied at four, two outs, and two men on base. Chad Watkins was a force to be reckoned with, making his presence known on offense and defense.

There is one thing going against team Martin, the best team never wins all night softball, because last year my team didn't win

Barnett 14 Lee 1

This was one of those games that was close up until the last out. Actually Team Barnett crushed Team Lee from start to finish. Carrie Barnett hits better than Royce Brown, which is not really saying anything so I'll just say she hits really hard. Team Barnett picked apart the defense and went cruising on for the win. Team Barnett has been cruising through their games like they are fighting first graders. It will be interesting to see how they play against Team Slamon. The first time they played, Team Slamon won 8-6, but now both teams have put some games under their "belts" and should meet in the championship.

Slamon 19 Braves 8

This is not a misprint. Team Slamon is kicking some major rear and not stopping to take names. They are playing great together and beating teams in every aspect of the game. The Braves did not stand a chance, and were quickly disposed of. Slamon has been beating teams by double digits the whole season except for Team Barnett. How did they get this team and is it legal?

Game predictions

RA's vs. Tooley

The RA's have no idea what they are doing out there and need to watch a couple videos on how to play defense. Tooley by at least 20

Slamon vs. Barnett

Team Barnett is going to be mad that they lost the last game and want revenge. Barnett by 4

Radnoti vs. Benge

Radnoti has a surprising defense, and should take control from the start. Look for Benge to buckle and throw in the towel early. Radnoti by 6

Martin vs. Brown

Look for Team Martin to make team Brown their women, and whip them around like rag dolls. Team Brown looks good on paper, but they can't win against the better teams. Martin by 10

Richardson vs. Wiehn

Richardson is going to open a can of whoop-up on Wiehn and send them home crying. Richardson by 8.

Olympic special

U.S. women struggle in preliminaries

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

THIS IS AUSTRALIA - the natives call it Oz - a land half a world away from home and even farther from the gold-medal success the Americans enjoyed on their own turf in 1996.

The U.S. performances in the preliminary round of the Olympics on Sunday were far from awful. Both national champion Elise Ray and two-time Olympian Amy Chow had a handful of nice moments.

But Chow and Ray got little help from their teammates and left the Super-Dome in trouble. As a team, it wasn't championship stuff.

National coordinator Bela Karolyi sensed it, sitting placidly in the stands, knowing it would take more than one of, his patented bear hugs to set things right. Then again, maybe a little motivation would have helped.

"Overall, we had a lot of mistakes," Karolyi said. "It's not a real surprise. It's things we've seen before in practice and in training. There were some strong efforts. We just have to sit down and think about what it's going to take to get better."

The United States took the floor in the morning, then waited an agonizing six hours before learning their spot was secure among the top six, and in the team finals.

The world powerhouses, Russia and Romania, competed together in the afternoon and showed everyone else what medal-winning gymnastics was about. Led by current European champion Svetlana Khorkina's grace and flair, Russia took the lead.

Romania was next, followed by China and Ukraine. Spain finished fifth after a solid night session and the United States was in sixth, avoiding by less than 0.4 points the ultimate humiliation of missing the finals.

When finals begin Tuesday, the scores will be wiped clean and the U.S. women will have a chance for a new start, something they could desperately use after Sunday

"The girls have worked out so well, they've warmed up well," coach Kelli Hill said.

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Considering their struggles since Atlanta, the U.S women figured they'd be going for the bronze this year. After their first day's performance, that probably would be considered a victory.

"The bronze is still wide open," Karolyi said, confirming that third place is America's goal.

Opening on the beam, traditionally its worst event, the team stood in the corner with that deer-in-the-headlights look, watching teammate Tasha Schwikert fidget nervously on the mat for about 5 minutes, awaiting her cue from the judges

The 15-year-old, last-minute replacement for injured Morgan White scored a 9.237 and waited for the leaders to take over.

They never did.

Dominique Dawes, in her third Olympics, fell off the beam.

Later on the floor, Ray and Kristen Maloney each took huge steps off the mat, costing them precious tenths of points in a competition where nothing can be spared.

Ray left the floor holding her left shoulder, but she continued

"She said it didn't hurt after floor and she vaulted and did bars beautifully," Hill said

At the vault, it was Maloney's turn to get hurt. She landed on her knees on her first jump, then walked back down the runway crying and biting her lip. She stuck her second vault, a la Kerri Strug in 1996, although the stakes weren't quite as high.

"It hurt pretty bad," Maloney said. "I was scared because I wasn't sure how it was going to feel to run down and vault again. I just told myself I could do it and to relax."

Meanwhile, the home fans, who spurred America to victory in Atlanta, were cheering wildly for the Australians this time, even though their gymnasts could barely clear the vault on the first rotation.

Aussie Allana Slater's hands slipped as she pushed off the vault. She just made it over, then used her hands to keep from falling forward and landing on her head

Brooke Walker followed with a pair of jumps in which she brushed her head on the backside of the vault. She actually stuck her landing after the first vault and got a rousing ovation.

"It was fantastic. We could feel it all the way," Slater said. "It's an amazing feeling to have the whole crowd behind you."

It turned out to be the crowd's only chance to see its home team. Spain's ri[...] pushed the Aussies into se[...]enth and back to the dra[...]ing board.

It means, at the ver[...] least, the United States won[...] face the same fate it did [...] last year's world champ[...]onships, when it finishe[...] behind the unproven Au[...]tralians.

It was that humblin[...] week in China that brough[...] Karolyi out of retirement [...] turn this team around.

The project has had [...] ups and downs. Last week[...] departure of White and h[...] coach, Mary Lee Trac[...] combined with an ankl[...] injury to Jamie Dantzsch[...] didn't make things any ea[...]er

Dantzscher competed [...] the vault and floor and sa[...] the ankle was feeling fin[...] Her scores - a 9.325 on va[...] and 8.987 on floor - may ha[...] said otherwise.

Karolyi said line[...] changes would occur.

"But we have to thi[...] about them," he said. [...] don't want to get into an[...] body's head right now"

He didn't spare feeling[...] however, when he singl[...] out Chow as a surprising di[...] appointment for a quick h[...] cup on her uneven bars ro[...]tine that earned a 9.4 a[...] dampened the America[...] strongest event.

"I was sitting here thi[...]ing, there's no explanati[...] for that," he said. "It's t[...] last thing I expected toda[...] besides all the other thing[...]

Khorkina was the be[...] gymnast through three se[...]sions, amassing 39.0[...] points and establishing he[...]self as a prime contender f[...] the all-around gold. Rom[...]nia's Andreea Raducan w[...] second.

The top American's we[...] Ray and Chow, who finish[...] in 13th and 14th place.

Virginia's Moses swims his way to Olympic silver

by Jim Reedy
CAVALIER DAILY

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (U-WIRE) – Early Sunday morning, U.S. swimmer Ed Moses was half a world away, applying the finishing strokes to a performance that earned him an Olympic silver medal in the men's 100-meter breaststroke.

Moses, a third-year college student who swam for Virginia for two seasons, finished in 1 minute, 0.73 seconds, only 27 hundredths of a second behind Italy's Domenico Fioravanti. Russian world record holder Roman Sloudnov earned the bronze medal with a time of 1:00.91.

"I'm walking away with a silver and I had a chance for a gold," Moses told The Associated Press. "After [only] three years of [top-level] swimming, I'm pretty happy."

Moses, the world short-course record holder, led at the turn with a split time of 28.60, but Fioravanti, the reigning European champion, surged from fifth place over the final 10 meters to defeat Moses and Sloudnov.

In its Olympic preview, Sports Illustrated forecast that Moses would take the gold, but the two-time NCAA champion was relegated to second place by Fioravanti, who won each of the first two rounds and established an Olympic record in the final with a time of 1:00.46.

"The expectations and the pressure were enormous," Cavalier coach Mark Bernardino said "For an athlete who has been in competitive swimming for three years and who was competing in just his second international meet ever, he did very well. When you look at the meteoric rise to his career, to go from being a high school golfer to a collegiate swimmer, I'd rather stress the positives."

Bernardino said he spoke to Moses Sunday night, as the 20-year-old Burke, Va., native headed to the pool for the morning's events.

"He's thrilled the way it went out and he learned a lot," Bernardino said. "It's definitely the type of meet where you can see experience pays off. Other than [17-year-old Australian star Ian] Thorpe, most of the people who've succeeded thus far are more experienced. He did say the pressure was enormous, more than he could have ever imagined."

Moses also told Bernardino that he is now especially juiced up to help the U.S. men defeat Thorpe and the rival Australians in the upcoming 400 medley relay.

Moses was not the only Virginia swimmer in action in the first few days of the Summer Games. Soph[...]more Mirjana Bosevs[...] swam in the preliminaries [...] the women's 400 individu[...] medley and 200 butterf[...] but did not advance in eith[...] event. Bosevska, a Mac[...]donian who competed in t[...] 1996 Olympics, finished 1[...] in the 400 IM with a time [...] 4:48 08 and 31st in the [...]0y with a time of 2:16.87

Bernardino said he w[...] extremely pleased wi[...] Bosevska's performanc[...] particularly in the 400 I[...] where she shaved more th[...] three seconds off her p[...]sonal best and narrow[...] missed her goal of finishin[...] in the top 16.

Canadian Sham[...] Pietucha, a 1999 Univer[...] graduate who holds bo[...] Cavalier men's butter[...] records, failed to qualify [...] the semifinals of the me[...] 200 fly, placing 1[...] (1:59.59) in the prelims.

Tonight on the Olympics (NBC)

6:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.	Cycling-Track	Men's Keirin Races, Women's Point Race, Men's Madis[...]
6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Hockey	Women's preliminaries (NZL vs. RSA; ARG vs. ESP)
6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Volleyball	Men's preliminaries (BRA vs. NED; AUS vs. ESP)
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Swimming	Freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly, ind. med[...]
7:00 p.m. - 9:55 p.m.	Gymnastics-Artistic	Women's individual all-around final
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Tennis	Men's and women's singles second round
7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Badminton	Men's doubles gold and bronze medal matches
7:30 p.m. - 11:10 p.m.	Basketball	Men's preliminaries (YUG vs. ANG; AUS vs. RUS)
7:30 p.m. - 11:10 p.m.	Handball	Women's preliminaries (AUS vs. DEN; HUN vs. KOR)
7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Boxing	Men's 54 kg, men's 67 kg, men's 91 kg
8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	Table Tennis	Men's doubles quarterfinals, women's doubles semifina[...]
8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Judo	Women's 68 kg, men's 100 kg

2000-2001 Student Leaders

Student Association Officers

David Warden
President

Year: Junior
Major: Mass Communication with an emphasis in Public Relations
Career Goal: Corporate or educational public relations
Why he wanted to be S.A. President: To serve my brothers and sisters at this university in a capacity appointed by Jesus
What he hopes to accomplish: To facilitate relationship building, solid communication and unification on this campus in service to our God and one another

Paul Myers
Executive Vice President

Year: Senior
Major: Psychology
Career Goal: Law enforcement
Why he ran for Executive Vice President: I like being involved with this school
What he hopes to accomplish: To make students aware of what their student body is doing

Laramie Barber
Social Vice President

Year: Junior
Major: Theology
Career Goal: Whatever God has planned for me
Why he ran for Social Vice President: My desire to become an S.A. officer came from my desire to reach students for Christ and give students an awesome college experience
What he hopes to accomplish: I hope to meet each student and get each person involved in something on campus. I hope to allow God to work through me to do His will and I hope that He will be glorified.

Bill Wohlers
Sponsor

Pamela Felix
Secretary

Year: Junior
Major: Elementary Education
Career Goal: Teacher
Why she accepted the position: When David asked me to be S.A. Secretary, I was really excited to have the chance to serve my fellow students and be involved in something that could make a difference.
What she hopes to accomplish: I hope to produce an accurate and exceptional Chatter and have a chance to get better acquainted with the student body.

Monica Zill
Finance Director

Year: Senior
Major: Administrative Management and accounting
Career Goal: Manage an office
Why she accepted the position: They needed someone to help out.
What she hopes to accomplish: I hope to keep the finances in order and give our monthly reports to the officers and senate so they know what is going on

Carrie Corlick
Co-Public Relations

Kori Shultz
Sponsor

Harmony Tillerson
Co-Public Relations

Year: Junior
Major: Public Relations
Career Goal: To like my job
Why she accepted the position: I wanted to have a chance to serve the student body. Added bonus: it will look good on my resume
What she hopes to accomplish: To help make S.A functions a joy to attend

Andrea Kosteraf
Parliamentarian

Year: Junior
Major: Biology, Biomedical Emphasis
Career Goal: Medicine
Why she accepted the position: To be part of a team that helps make things happen
What she hopes to accomplish: Help make students feel that this is their school.

Carla Mallernee
Southern Memories Editor

Mandy Shuirer
Joker Editor

Year: Junior
Major: Chemistry
Career Goal: Doctor
Why she applied for the position: I enjoy working on publications, meeting new people and having the opportunity to create a book that is part of the school year and Southern's history.
What she hopes to accomplish: To produce a Joker that Southern enjoys

Wes Hall
Festival Studios Producer

Year: Junior
Major: Mass Communication
Career Goal: Have fun
Why he applied for the position: It presented an interesting challenge that would be fun
What he hopes to accomplish: To put on a good show that the students enjoy.

Cindy Van Dalson
Southern Accent Editor

Year: Junior
Major: English
Career Goal: Journalist
Why she applied for the position: I love the news. Some people say I have a passion for it. I wanted to improve the Accent and it will be good experience for my future career
What she hopes to accomplish: I hope to produce a more interesting, well-rounded newspaper that people will want to read.

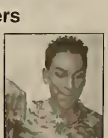
Campus Ministries Officers

Zulie Vi
Assistant Chaplain/
Office Junior

Year: Graduate/Task force
Major: Theology
Career Goal: Assistant chaplain of Southern, teacher/pastor, college professor
Why he wanted the position: If you asked me last year at this time what I would be doing I would have had no idea God dropped it into my lap and I'm loving it.
What he hopes to accomplish in office: I hope to meet a lot of students. I also hope to grow in my walk with God and I want to help others do the same

Angela Rho
Destiny Director

Year: Senior
Major: Religious Education, Psychology
Career Goal: Clinical Psychologist
Why she wanted the position: It is a once in a lifetime opportunity to share with others God's love and grace. Drama is unique in that it appeals to a wide variety of people. I couldn't pass this opportunity up.
What she hopes to accomplish: If even one person is brought to Jesus, I would feel that I have accomplished what I hoped.



Jonathan Patrick
Campus Ministries Director

Year: Sophomore
Major: Theology
Career Goal: Youth Evangelist
Why he wanted the position: I love missions! Last year the Lord gave me the joy of service. I want to support the SM'sTF's so they can have as great an experience as I had
What he hopes to accomplish in office: I hope to continue improving communication between Southern and the SM'sTF's. I hope to put together a support group that will minister to the returned SM'sTF's and to those who are currently serving.

Ken Rogers
Chaplain

Marlin R. Anfiel
Collegiate Missions Director

Jody Prosser
Director of Public Relations

Year: Senior
Major: Mass Communication with Public Relations
Career Goal: Publicist in the Christian music industry
Why she wanted the position: It will give me additional experience in PR, allow me to exercise the skills I've learned and give me a chance to make a difference on this campus
What she hopes to accomplish: Hopefully pave Campus Ministries a form on campus, along with unique and varied personalities to facilitate the ministries available

Emilie Wilson
Assistant Office Manager

Year: Senior
Major: English
Career Goal: Teacher
Why she wanted the position: I love this office! I wanted to be involved in campus ministries and student missions in particular
What she hopes to accomplish in office: I hope to answer every phone call cheerfully, to be a blessing to everyone who needs me and to help Sherrie survive our wonderfully growing student missions program

Sherrie Norton
Office Manager

The Southern Accent

Lifestyles

Thursday, September 21, 2000

Chattanooga's finest theatre centre

Jerry Wasmer
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

In the last issue of the Accent, there was brief mention of a play, An Ideal Husband, that was showing at the Chattanooga Theatre Centre. This generated a relatively large response from our readers, who wanted to know more about the Theatre Centre and the programs they offer.

We could have sent one of our Accent Interns to get a brochure or an ad, reprinted the information with a synopsis, and printed just the facts, and all the facts Instead, I decided to call the Centre and ask them about the plays they offer. Here is what they had to say about the plays and other things

Gypsy (Sept 1-Oct 1):
"Okay, um It's a musical, um, it's about Gypsies."

Misery (Oct 20-Nov 4)
"That's that Stephen King Book. Yeah, its a horror film-uh-book-play."

A Christmas Carol (Dec 1-17)
"That's that novel by Charles Dickens, you know, about Christmas past, present, and future.. hmm."

The Exact Center of the Universe (Jan 19-Feb 4)
"I don't know anything about that. Hold on That's not playing until the beginning of the year. Let's see if I can see what that's about. I don't think we have a synopsis on that. Hold on one second..."

Then I asked her a few more questions.

Accent: Tell me about the play "An Ideal Husband."

CTC: Oh, that's playing right now. It's a play... lets see.. Ive read the play, (reads synopsis).

Accent: Have you seen it?

CTC: No, I just read it in College.

Accent: Tell me about the Chattanooga Theatre Centre.

CTC: OK, we're voluntarily run, we're a non-profit organization... we first opened 77 years ago.

Accent: Do you know what the opening play was?

CTC: (asks co-worker) ...We have no idea

Accent: Would you recommend any of these plays?

CTC Yeah!

Accent: All of them?

CTC: Sure, I've never seen them (laughs).

At any rate, the Chattanooga Theatre Centre is a great place to see plays, and the 200-2001 season lineup promises to be the best yet. The Theatre Centre is located downtown, right next to Coolidge Park. Tickets are $13 50-18.50, depending on what day you come, what theater it's in, and what play it is.

Call the CTC today, and save on "the best seat out of the house"

So you wanna be more outdoorsy...

by Jerry Wasmer
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Many people I talk to here at Southern enjoy some kind of outdoor activity like backpacking, hiking, climbing and caving.

For most of these diversions, you will need some amount of gear or equipment. As the ancient fathers used to say,"Cannot backpacks with no backpack". Buying gear can be quite a sizeable investment, so most people choose to shop around for a good value. Here are some local places to shop:

Rock/Creek Outfitters, 100 Tremont St. Downtown Chattanooga Rock/Creek has the best selection of quality outdoor merchandise in this area. They carry many name brands such as Mountain Hardware, Marmot, North Face, OR, Arcteryx, Black Diamond, Patagonia, La Sportiva, Five Ten, Boreal, and many more. The store itself is nice too, with hardwood all over the place, nice displays, and little silly things like TVs playing videos of people doing extreme things. The downside to Rock/Creek is that everything is so expensive that you will leave either penniless or completely unsatisfied. A lot of the people there don't know anything at all. Others know so much that they can't believe you just said that, you did what, you really want to kill yourself there, don't you, and don't even tell me that. Then they forget the question you just asked them and go back to helping the hot girl try on her Tevas. There are a couple of nice people here, though. Adrian and Ronnie are two good guys. They know what they are talking about and are really helpful. There is one other guy that let me use the bathroom there. He didn't know everything about the backpacks I was looking at, bless his heart, but he was very kind in letting me use the staff-only bathroom. It is a very nice bathroom. When there, you should ask to use the bathroom just to have a look at it. At any rate, Rock/Creek is the place to go if you are short on time and don't mind being broke.

They do have sales sometimes, but nothing that will make you scream for more.

Dodge City Outfitters, 7968 E. Brainerd Rd. Dodge Expensive City is a quaint little shop, nestled between a bar-b-cue stand and a liquor store. They have mostly ski stuff, with a great selection of Columbia Jackets. I think they have a couple headlamps too. When I went in there, the one guy who maybe knew what he was doing was mean to me. Everytime I come out of Dodge City Outfitters, I feel like less of a person. You will definitely ask yourself, "How did I get here?"

The Sports Authority, 5774 Brainerd Rd. Sports Authority has a small selection of outdoor gear. Th[ey] have the same stuff as t[he] other places, except inste[ad] of saying Patagonia, it sa[ys] Nike. They have a limit[ed] selection of stoves, nalge[ne] bottles, and commando s[ur]vival can openers: Th[e] prices are fairly reasonabl[e].

Next time you are [in] Atlanta, stop by Galyan's [or] REI. Galyan's is huge, a[nd] REI is, well, REI...

Another great way [to] shop is over the internet. [All] you need is a credit card a[nd] a computer, and you can f[ind] some of the best deals ev[er]. Here are some sites [to] check out.

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The best thing to do is go to Rock/Creek, find yo[ur] size, then go buy it online [for] cheap.

Eat this

Pasteria
720 Mississippi Ave.
Signal Mountain, TN
886-1900

Are you a sporting man who fancies a little work for his food? Are you a girl with a taste for far-away cultures? if so, you need to take a short drive through the Tennessee countryside that ends at the the top of Signal Mountain. Here you will find Pastaria, a little Italian Restaurant. The atmosphere is relaxed; you can take a date there or stop by after a day of climbing. The waitresses are young and friendly and the cooks can advise you and tell you which foods are fresh off the boat. Anything on the menu can be changed, or you can invent your own dish.

The only unpleasantness I have ever experienced at Pastaria was when one offensive waitress greeted us at our table by asking if we had just smoked a big fat joint before we came in. She took my order for some pasta with tomato sauce and then proceeded to bring me a big plate of BACON. She's probably gone now. Pastaria is located about 40 minutes from Collegedale, but it definitely outranks all the other Italian restaurants in the whole countryside.

A similar Italian restaurant is La Dolce Vita (downtown Chattanooga). The atmosphere there is a little colder and the menu is less alterable. The Olive Garden thaws their meals and Fazoli's food comes from a can. Truth be told, for Italian food, go to Pastaria or stop by my house.

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Confucius says:

A dish of carrot

hastily cooked may

still have soil

uncleaned off the

vegetable.

Education enthusiast named new U.S. poet laureate

by Jeremy R. Cooke
DAILY COLLEGIAN (PENNSYLVANIA STATE U)

(U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - As a first-grader in Worcester, Massachusetts, poet Stanley Kunitz gazed up at the latest arrival of Halley's Comet, the celestial orbiter said to visit Earth about every 76 years:

... it was roaring down the stormtracks / of the Milky Way at frightful speed / and if it wandered off its course / and smashed into the earth / there'd be no school tomorrow.

That was 1910, school did convene the next day and each day after that for Kunitz, who later graduated from Harvard University. The poet was watching again when the comet soared across the sky in 1986, though it happened to be cloudy that night.

Fourteen years later, he is still living in Massachusetts and still writing the poetry for which he has won an array of top accolades.

This summer Kunitz turned 95, and this fall he will become the nation's 10th poet laureate.

"He continues to be a mentor and model for several generations of poets, and he brings to the office of poet laureate a lifetime of commitment to poetry," said James Billington, librarian of Congress, in a statement from the library, which bestows the honor each year. He joins a lineage of modern masters of verse including Robert Penn Warren, Joseph Brodsky, Rita Dove and most recently, Robert Pinsky

Amidst "the throes of interviewing," Kunitz reflected on his plans for the job by phone from his summer home in Provincetown, on Cape Cod.

"I will concentrate in helping young people in the school system to receive an adequate introduction to poetry. That involves training teachers and in general, supporting the reading and discussion of poetry," he said.

Kunitz's work will officially begin on Oct. 28, when he travels to Washington, D.C. for an inaugural reading.

No stranger to university education, Kunitz has taught at Yale, Princeton, Rutgers and Brandeis, but faced opposition in securing his first appointment.

In a 1974 interview for The Iowa Review, he explained:

"When I was about to receive my master's degree from Harvard, I assumed that I could stay on as a teaching assistant if I wanted to, not because I was already a poet but because of my scholarship record

"As it turned out, I did not stay on; I was told directly through the head of the English Department that Anglo-Saxons would resent being taught English by a Jew, even a Jew with a summa cum laude. That shook my world."

Intellectual Things, his first volume of poetry, was published the year he turned 25, but Kunitz took a detour through other jobs – newspaperman, farmer, freelancer, editor – before returning to academic life, in part thanks to fellow poet Theodore Roethke.

The two poets met in the late 1930s, before Roethke accepted a position on the faculty at Penn State. While Kunitz admits he hasn't been back in years, he did visit the campus and has "a very clear picture of the place" in his mind.

Roethke split his time at Penn State with a brief job at Bennington College. He chose Kunitz as his successor when the school urged him to move on to new things.

James Brasfield, senior lecturer in English, studied with Kunitz while earning his MFA at Columbia. He says his former teacher's latest decoration is deserved.

"He is one of our very finest poets," Brasfield said. "Perhaps, his position now will spark critics to think about why so many poets hold him in such high esteem. Public recognition came late to Kunitz. Not until his Selected Poems, published in 1958, was his presence affirmed."

Brasfield said Kunitz's workshop focused on detail and set standards high.

"We all knew that our poems were for us to measure against the timeless poems," he said in an e-mail. "Thus, he was patient and generous. It was that we had a master who had been on the road a long time before us, (and we were) the apprentices just setting out. His mantra is 'transcendence' 'A poem needs to rise at the end,' he told me once, in conference."

Throughout his lifetime, Kunitz has championed civil liberties and peace movements especially in this country, but now says that the emphasis has shifted

"The picture has changed a great deal, but the concerns remain the same throughout the whole panoply of nations," he said. "I don't feel that most poets are as passionately concerned because we ourselves as a nation have received our baptism of fire in civil liberties."

For Kunitz, the actual practice of writing poetry hasn't changed much in his lifetime. No computers are necessary for this poet, born only a decade or so after the perfection of the light bulb.

"I use a battered old typewriter, always have," he said. "I like the physical contact of it." And his first drafts are still scrawled out by hand.

How does Kunitz view the present and future of his art?

"In some respects, poetry is enjoying an increase in audience and a change that I think is very promising." He sees hope in the influx of minority cultures and the voice of groups not traditionally well represented in the scholastic world.

Kunitz says he has attended poetry slams. Though he thinks of them more as a game than an art form, he admits the performers can only be respected:

"The skill and the feats of memory and spontaneity are extraordinary."

Besides writing, Kunitz enjoys cultivating a garden at his home in Cape Cod.

In addition to befriending contemporary poets over the years, he knew visual artists such as Mark Rothko and Philip Guston. And his wife of more than 40 years is painter Elise Asher. During the winter, they live in Greenwich Village, in New York City.

Walking around the streets of his summer neighborhood, his fame still catches up with him: "I'm a familiar figure and Provincetown is a small place."

He has lived long enough to see acquaintances such as Roethke pass away, but Kunitz's workload hasn't let up too much over the years. Another book of his verse is due out in the fall He will be poet laureate through next spring

Go out-side, ge[t] some air, and let your brain breathe

Ask SHOLL[Y]

[illegible]

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SM's send reports of first contacts

by Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

Here at Southern we are shifting into smoother gears after the first few weeks. For most of us, new classes and work schedules are becoming routine The excitement, anticipation and stress of beginning a new school year are becoming more familiar and manageable. But what about our student missionaries? Many of our campus family are experiencing a whole different world - literally! Here are a few reports from their first contacts with new challenges in new cultures around the world.

Tanya McCreery reports from Taiwan where she is teaching English. "Nee How! (hello in Mandarin Chinese). I have now been in Taiwan for five days. I miss home and all of you more than you know, and believe me, more than I'd anticipated. It's not so extreme like they told me. I can find pretty much anything I want here. It's very westernized. But it is a foreign country nevertheless, and I am in culture shock."

Some of her first impressions of Taiwan are. 22 million people and 11 million motor scooters; two inch cockroaches in my kitchen (not for long, haha); friendly Chinese culture; dividing by 30 to make money conversions.

Student missionaries are experiencing whole different worlds

Elisa Brown is doing accounting at Riverside Farms in Zambia, Africa. Here's a quick experience. "Last week a couple other SM girls and I took a bag of mealie meal out to a village nearby that doesn't have much food. We rode three of the horses that are here because you can't take a vehicle all the way to the village. One family there has a tiny baby that is very malnourished. Their stock of maize is low also so we decided we would take them the mealie meal that we get so they will have enough to make it through the season. It was neat to see their smiles and to pray with them before we left."

George Fuller is teaching English as a second language in Russia. He reports about a God-sized opportunity. "Euro-Asia Division is begging us to start an International Church. Gabriel and I are very happy to do that. We want a church that is friendly to English speakers and that can be a place for searching students to find God. We must present Jesus to the students and be friendly to them. Anyway, we ask for your prayers for the local church and for us as we begin taking steps to form a new International church."

These are just a few of the dozens of reports we are getting. As they face cross cultural barriers, loneliness and remarkable Divine opportunities, please intercede in prayer for them. You can also write them notes and drop them in the SM box in the Student Center. We want the Holy Spirit to touch them and use them as they serve in Jesus' name.

Prisoner--a parable

by Debbie Battin
STAFF WRITER

Sirens wailed in the darkness of the night. Blue and red flashing lights glared off the slippery, wet street. I glanced over at the huge, neon sign gleaming in the murkiness. It was a distance light flaming from a distant world.

The police car was coming closer. I didn't know if I should run, try to hide or just stand there like the stupefied juvenile I was. I knew they were coming for me. My whole body shook with terror. This would not be the first time, if they caught me.

I felt like I was lost somewhere at a spinning, flashing carnival that strangely was moving in slow motion. A thick fog settled around me, and I felt so alone.

The uniformed officer yanked my hands behind my back. I snapped into reality and looked with horror into the man's dark, cold eyes. I couldn't speak. I could barely step into the car. This reoccurring nightmare now repeated itself again in my life

Droplets of rain clung to the window and slipped down slowly, leaving aimless streams. As the car sped down Main Street, two of my "friends" dove behind a pile of rubbish. They had somehow escaped this time, but I knew that someday they would be caught. How had I allowed this to happen again? My mind seemed to be sifting through piles of sand only to find more sand.

They pulled me into that same dark room, and I laid down on the narrow cot. I fell into a restless sleep, and dreaded the morning

Morning found me exhausted and very stiff. My eyes squinted in the bright sunlight streaming through the barred window, and my body ached when I moved.

My eyes slowly focused as I looked across to the end of the row of cells. The security officer was talking with someone who looked strangely familiar to me. I was awake enough by then to realize where I was and even why I was there. The fog that seemed to follow me everywhere had temporarily disappeared.

The man who had stood with the officer now was walking towards me. He had the key to my cell. I knew that I had met him in life before somewhere, but it had been quite some time since then.

He obviously knew me pretty well. He spoke as if we were best friends. Then it hit me like a flash of lightning, it was my best friend. He had gotten me out of this situation before. I was so ashamed. I stared blankly at him. I didn't understand why he was there. Why did he always come back over and over to help me? Why did he care so much?

As I looked into his honest and sincere eyes, I realized that I would never find a friend as loyal and devoted as he. I wondered how he would ever get me out of this situation. I was being charged with more accusations than any other time in the past.

His answer to my questions and doubts was simple. He reminded me that his Father is the Judge over in the Big City. He said that his Father wanted to adopt me, and take care of me. I couldn't believe it. He wanted me to live with him? Me, so broken and wasted?

The peace I felt in the depths of my soul was wonderful. I was free, finally. "Jesus answered them, Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave to sin. And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." John 8:34-36

Just eat it

by Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

Have you ever tried to study the Bible and not known how? Or better yet, have you ever been stranded in a small jungle village and been challenged to teach Amerindians how to study the Bible? When faced with this "God moment" last year, I could answer both of these questions with a yes. So this article is a "how to" that Jesus taught me.

When Israel was in the wilderness, why did God send manna from heaven? He did it to teach you that people need more than bread for their life; real life comes by feeding on every word of the LORD" (Deut. 8:3). Every day when the ground was covered with little ancient honey nuggets, the people of Israel were learning how good God is and how much they needed Him and His word to survive. Here we find a metaphor describing a practical way to implement solid principles of Bible study.

Step One: Pick it up daily. Just as Israel left their tents to gather manna, we too will have real spiritual life if we continue to eat His word every day. This implies some type of pattern for devotions rather than a random impulse. Read through a book of the Bible like one of the gospels or Psalms Do it daily, and have a pattern, whatever it is.

Step Two: Chew the Word. As you read through the Bible, don't read it like you do TIME or the ACCENT. We need to actually think through and read several times a passage. Look up other texts that relate to the people, place or event mentioned. Taste it and let your imaginative juices flow as you recreate the scene or characters in your mind. Writing out a short sommary of the passage in a scripture journal helps.

Step Three: Swallow the Word. This simply means to discover the one thought that God has for you in the text. How many pipes do you have from your mouth to your stomach? What is the main point of the author? What's the big idea, the "jist" of the whole story? Don't rush, but ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you It is best if you can state this main idea in one sentence.

Step Four: Digest the Word. To meditate means to think deeply about how this main idea applies to your life. Think about how God's thought might challenge you to change the way you think, feel or act in different situations. Now think about this. How long does swallowing take? A minute or two. How long does digestion take? Over 200 times longer! This is the most important step.

What matters most about your Christianity is not what you know, but what you do with. what you know. Jesus did not say, "By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you know what day is the seventh, which foods are clean, and how to parse the Greek verb 'ginosko.'" He wants us to love each other

So apply the Word to your life. If you don't digest spiritual food, it's waste, and a waste of time.

Step Five: Live and Work The food we digest gives us energy to live and work This is where you share the thought with someone. If you learned from the story of John the Baptist that "humility is true greatness," don't talk about yourself so much or try to impress people with what you wear that day. Do something good for someone and don't let anyone find out. If you read how Jesus went to pray every morning and God told you that "prayer is power," then go for a talk with God in nature Better yet, make a commitment to pray every night with your roommate about your spiritual life and intercede for our campus.

If you want to try a new way of studying the Bible, just eat it. And through that experience I pray that we may be "fully equipped for every good work "

What would you do?

by Michael Messervy
STAFF WRITER

Hypothetical questions are, to me, one of the most fascinating tools for answering the question, "What do I really believe?" "Okay," you say, "ask away." So here's the question: imagine you are finishing up the last two months of your junior year in college. You are going to leave as an SM as soon as the year ends and all of a sudden a friend introduces you to the most incredible person you have ever met. You've never felt so attracted to anyone before in your life and you know the feeling is being reciprocated. It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. How much stress would this situation cause you (on a scale of 1-10) and what would you do?

"I think I might pursue a relationship, but I would do a lot of communicating with her first."
Stress level: 8

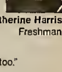
–Brent Coffman
Senior

"Definitely keep it friends, then I'd see what happened when I got back"
Stress level: 8

--Lori Edgmon
Sophomore

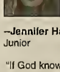
"I'd want to keep my focus as an SM. Besides, God could work it out."
Stress level: 4.5

--Gayle Eugene
Freshman



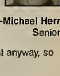
"Being an SM would be way more important than trying to maintain a relationship."
Stress level: 4

--Catherine Harris
Freshman



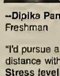
"If he was willing to take the risk, I would be too."
Stress level: 5

–Jennifer Hasty
Junior



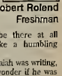
"If God knows she's the one, then He'll make it happen later. Until then, I can wait."
Stress level: 8

–Michael Herr
Senior



"I don't think I'd be for a serious commitment anyway, so I'd probably have to tell him to wait."
Stress level: 2

--Dipika Pandit
Freshman



"I'd pursue a relationship because I can handle the long-distance with the right person."
Stress level: 6

–Robert Rolend
Freshman

The question involves many different issues: desperation being one of them. It also involves one's personal views on dating (but we can discuss that later). What I really want to talk about is patience.

Here's the verse– They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. . (Isa. 40:31) and here's my real question: How willing are we to wait upon the Lord? Now when Isaiah mentioned "waiting upon the Lord" I have to wonder if he meant more than simply admitting that God is in control. Something that I have observed in my own life is my ability to count on God's providence, yet still hold on to the stress of the situation.

I was personally thankful for the honesty and variance of responses. When I thought about my own answer to the question I realized my stress level would probably be around 9 and that contentment might be pretty hard to come by. The realization that she might not be interested when I got back or that she may not be there at all seemed like a humbling reality.

When Isaiah was writing, I have to wonder if he was talking to me and telling me, "It is good that you are waiting, but it means something more to be waiting on the Lord!" Maybe God wants us to be able to wait patiently for Him without all the stress. What do you suppose it would take to truly tap into God's strength while wading through the really important issues in life?

EDITORIALS

Teachers really care

Sometimes we find ourselves wondering why we're here at Southern. Sure, the food is great, the curfews are helpful and the cost isn't so bad, but when times are hard we find ourselves wondering, "Just how much is this worth to me?" An experience we had last week helped answer that question.

The other day we were in our usual spot for a Friday afternoon, in a 1:00 World Religions class. Afterwards we stayed a little late talking about the next issue of the Accent. The stresses of the week had taken their toll - lack of sleep, Accent deadlines, the regular stresses of college that everyone is familiar with. As we talked, Dr. Samaan picked up on our moods and stopped by to chat with us on his way out. Thirty minutes later the three of us were still talking. He asked how we liked the class, about religions, even our long distance relationships (which anyone who's been in one knows how that goes).

After a hard morning, it made both of our days to know that someone sincerely cared and would pray for us. Dr. Samaan could have walked right out the door and we wouldn't have noticed, but he didn't. The teachers here care enough about us to listen to our problems, give advice and help us learn the things we need that will bring us to the next step in our lives. It's not a job requirement for them, but it's why we're here.

The relationship

Most of us attending Southern Adventist University have been raised Seventh-day Adventists, attended SDA schools, or been exposed to the general virtues of the SDA Church.

By and large, we know the pros and cons of our Church, it's policies, standards, attitudes, and beliefs. Overall, we possess a general knowledge of what it is to be a Seventh-day Adventist. Doctrine - that's what it's all about. Right?

We all remember the Sabbath school memory verses and the gold stars that were awarded for perfect memorization. In academy we delved into the inner workings of Biblical truths. Now, here at Southern Adventist University, we discuss in depth the writings of Elleo G. White, the 1844 message and other important theological issues. We attend required worships and vespers. The question is, are these issues the most important facets in our spiritual lives?

Doctrines of the Church are not the only way to enter Heaven. For us, as mortals, to know God goes beyond studying His laws and messages. To know Him, the Everlasting God, the King of kings, the Creator of Mankind, we must build the Relationship.

The Relationship is when we get to know God as our Friend, Protector and Savior. The Relationship which will never fail, no matter the situation. The Relationship that will survive anything and everything - unless, that is, we turn our backs on God.

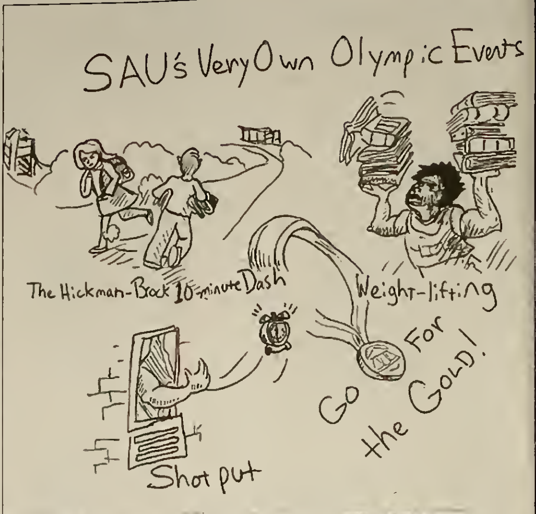
On this note, one would think that SAU students live in a model Christian environment, where developing and fostering the Relationship is our main goal at this institution. Not true. Though there are exceptions, building the Relationship with God has taken second stage to learning SDA doctrines. Though just as important, without the Relationship, doctrines are worth nothing - nothing at all.

There seems to be a dangerous trend within the SDA Church - a possible reason for the flood of young people leaving the Church today. Perhaps it is caused by a lack of understanding due to the generation gap. Or it could be the "old school" syndrome that you can't get enough of a good thing. Either way, the Church leadership must re-think how the today's youth can be reached. Likewise, the SAU administration must re-adjust its policies on the student religious life (and requirements) on this campus.

How we maintain the Relationship with God varies on an individual basis. There are many ways. However, prayer is a constant medium. As to our Church, the leadership needs to remember Who is in Control. Here at SAU, we need an environment where the Relationship is the first step on the road to salvation. We must not condemn those that do not have an advanced knowledge of SDA doctrine. Finally, we must be willing to have the Relationship.

Though there is little emphasis placed on building the Relationship with God, there is hope. Hope because there are graduating theology majors (and future pastors) who believe firmly in the Ideals of the Relationship. Hope because there are faculty members firmly committed to these ideals. Hope because we are a vocal generation and will voice our concerns. Hope because God uses amazing ways to reach people and change minds.

If we, as a generation and as a church, cannot maintain the Relationship with God, who are we to attempt to spread the message of salvation to the rest of the World?



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I want to thank you for highlighting the university's public relations department in the Southern Accent last week. As alumni, Garrett and I are excited to be serving the university in the capacity of public relations. I would like to mention another key member of our team whom I believe was inadvertently left out of your article.

Ingrid Skantz, also a Southern graduate, has been working in the public relations office for ten years. Ms Skantz serves the department as a talented design and graphic artist. She is also an assistant director and has been responsible for many of the attractive publications and recruitment pieces our department has produced over the years.

Thanks again for introducing our department to the students. We appreciate your work and look forward to a positive working relationship with the Southern Accent.

Sincerely,
Rob Howell
Director of Public Relations

Editor, Does it irritate you to no end that our country is no longer governed on principles, or by a leader that takes a stand and presses forward with his convictions, but instead relies upon polls and focus groups? As a teenager, I was mesmerized by Reagan and what he did to empower those that earned their fair share to actually keep it. Does anyone remember the gargantuan tax rates of the late 70's? Stagflation? Gas lines? It took vision and leadership to move in the right direction. While all of us would have wanted to eliminate at least most of the hurdles that were presented in that time frame (with the possible exception of the tax rates, which tax-and-spenders tend to embrace), it took some genuine vision to accomplish it. The task was handled masterfully by a leader who listened to his counsel and his heart. Does anyone recall a reliance on focus-group demographics when Reagan made a decision? I don't, and I was a politico-in-blooming during the Reagan era. Now, we read about Lazio/Clinton and Bush/Gore and Republican Special Interest Candidate/Democratic Special Interest Candidate, and how they are doing in the "polls". What interests the American public? What should the candidates do when elected? Why, they should poll and govern by the poll! Democracy gone technocrat. Sadly, there is no more leadership, or conviction, or genuine belief in our candidates. We have digressed to this. Rest assured, with Zogby and Gallup and the Internet in 1860, slavery would indeed have kept its awful aura of legitimacy. So, how do we disband this popular trend of asking the masses what they desire from the public largesse? How do we with full force tell these publicrats that they are way off base in deciding our fate as a nation on a weighted set [of] statistical probabilities? Si[m]ple. When you are fortuna[te] enough to be polled, give th[e] most irrational, errat[ic] answer you can fathom: "Yes, ma'am I think the go[v]ernment should tax a[nd] limit use of contractions [in] sentences, and penalize [all] citizens regardless of cree[d,] color, or other bias $25 f[or] every sock lost in the lau[n]dry." Consider the implic[a]tions of a man in electe[d] office rationalizing a b[ill] drafted for the sole purpo[se] of fining the electorate f[or] losing a sock. The iron[y!] Maybe then, politicia[ns] would be forced to thin[k,] have conviction, and lead b[y] their example, and not b[y] polling data. Wouldn't th[at] be a sight to behold?

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Minnesota doctors condemn drivers' use of cellphones

By Miko Wereshagin
Minnesota Daily

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS - Minnesota doctors addressed the nationwide concern over the use of cellular telephones while driving Friday.

The Minnesota Medical Association, which represents about two-thirds of Minnesota doctors, condemned the practice in a resolution at their annual convention in Duluth.

"Cell-phone drivers are a public health problem," Gene Kishel, a Virginia, Minn., physician, told The Associated Press.

Nicole Dilks, a University mechanical engineering junior, experienced firsthand what happens when drivers pay more attention to their phone than the road.

On Aug. 12, her minivan - with her two sons inside - slammed into a telephone pole while she reached for her ringing phone.

All three escaped serious injury because of their seat belts and air bags, but Dilks has not answered or made a call on her cell phone while driving since.

"I won't even reach for a can of soda anymore," Dilks said. "Taking my eyes off the road, even for just that one second ... it changed everything else in the car."

The medical association stopped short of calling for a ban on using a cell phone while driving, unlike other groups around the country.

From North Carolina to Pennsylvania to Washington state, cities and towns have passed legislation banning such cell phone use within city limits.

A USA Today poll conducted in July found that 49 percent of drivers favor a law that would force motorists to "hang up and drive," as a popular bumper sticker says.

Nate Schmiechen, a Fairview-University Medical Center emergency room doctor, is against cell phone use by drivers but said he would not support a law banning it.

"I think making a law is going a bit far," Schmiechen said. "Besides that, it would never get passed. Too many people use them. On my way to work this morning, I would say 30 percent of the drivers I passed were talking on cell phones."

The convenience afforded by cell phones is enough to attract some unlikely users, he added.

"I know a lot of members of the MMA," Schmiechen said. "And I know a lot of members of the MMA who answer their pagers on their cell phones in their cars."

Schmiechen also cited a study done by the New England Journal of Medicine that found cell phone users were four times more likely to get into an accident than anyone else. What was surprising about the study, Schmiechen said, was that the statistics were no lower for those who used a hands-free kit for their phones.

Dilks said she would consider using her cell phone if she had such a kit. Until then, however, she will continue to pull off the road before she makes any more calls.

"It's more inconvenient," Dilks said, "but I've realized that convenience is not more important than my or my children's safety."

Do you have a comment on something you've read? Send them to accent@southern.edu.

Freedom

Freedom. As defined in dictionary, freeedom is condition of being free.

When the word freedom mentioned we usually nk of the definition which ans "political indepennce". Are you free to me and go as you please,

The question is can you how YOU want and be lly happy? To me your free unless your happy h who you are. Do you the way you believe? Do u speak your mind? Do u show your emotions? you pursuing your own ls? Is each day another closer to being where u want to be? Is each day other day to laugh and y and dream?

Let's be blunt. I feel most nfortable saying exactly at I think. How many of u worry about the cloths t you wear? I mean do u feel like you fit into an aginary level in the soci- that you live if you wear tain things? If your not aring a certain brand do u feel uncomfortable? ybe some of you don't re? How many of you uld feel embarrassed if u had to shop at Walmart? me of you reading this v shop at Walmart ause the prices are ordable. Could you admit t and still feel confident out yourself (I'm not ting down Walmart!)? at I'm getting at is that earance can be a trap. all want to be individuals be "special" or "unique" hichever word you perin somebody's eyes? s leave this thought open d move on. How many of u have had pink, blue, pur- red or even orange hair? w many of you simply ON'T dye your hair ause "you love yourself the way you are"?

How many thank God everyday that your a blonde? How many of you wish you were a redhead? How many of you wish you were thinner or maybe even thicker? How many of you wish you were more talented? Let me tell you my point in asking you all of these questions before I totally loose you. My point is that freeedom is being YOURSELF! It isn't being pushed around by the norms of the society we live in. Who cares what other people think! If you do care then you will never be really happy. One day, you'll look back on your life and you'll feel like you haven't lived at all. You'll complain about how you've always tried to do what everybody else always wanted you to do. YOU have the power to live and be completely happy and you also

Amber Risinger

have the power to place yourself in a prison. Hopefully, when you realize that your wasting your life away worrying about what you should be in the eyes of everyone else, it won't to late to change. Take a look at yourself and ask yourself some questions right now.

Where do I spend my money and is it worth it?

Do I like these clothes or do I wear them because "they" like them?

Is this what I want to do for the rest of my life?

What is it I'd like to do but I've been to afraid to try?

Do I like my friends? Are they really my friends?

Is this the best relationship for me and does he/she really love ME?

Do I know this God I go see every Saturday or am I pretending?

I really want you to find the answers to these questions. Life should be wonderful and full of opportunities. There is so much to see, to learn and to experience! The only way this will be a reality for you is if you know who you are. Then you'll have time to notice what is important in life. It is certainly NOT clothes, hair, money, or popularity. I'm sure you've heard that over used saying "stop and smell the roses"? I've got so much more to say than just that!

"roll down the window and feel the wind on your face"

"play in the raio, let your hair get wet"

"go for a walk in the dark and count the stars"

"lay in the grass and catch grasshoppers"

"take off you shoes and run in the mud puddles"

"study in the sunshine"

"sing, and sing loudly!"

"dance, dance even if you can't!"

"when you say 'I love you' mean it"

"when you hear 'I love you' believe it"

"When you pray, get on your knees"

"When you cry let someone wipe your tears away"

"Don't hold back"

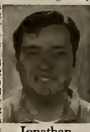
"Share"

See what I mean now? Life is real and once you can see that, you'll find FREEDOM.

Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia.

My first real college class

I really like my Ancient Classics class. It is the kind of college class that you see on TV or in movies: people reading interesting books, having meaningful discussions on what the literature has to say about life. The kind of class that makes you think of Dead Poet's Society or some other academic movie. Maybe other people have these types of classes all the time. I am not sure; I am not an English major and have very little experience in the humanities. Yet, I can tell when a class not only has an impact on what I know, but on the way I think. What makes it even better is the Christian attitude and insights that I learn while reading pagan books.



Jonathan Geach

So what is the point? Why aren't there more of these types of classes? That is what I thought I was getting into when I went to college. This is only the second really interesting class I have had that has really made me think about philosophy, religion and their effects on people. After so many classes that just fill you brain with useful, but empty facts, it is wonderful to have a class that makes you think about life.

I always used to think that literature was one of the dumbest things to study. Why worry so much about what other people think? Why brainwash yourself into the doldrums of standard western thought? Isn't that what the humanities really are, cooperate brainwashing? I really used to think so, but that really isn't true. There is so much more out there that we aren't even aware of. The humanities not only expand your horizons, they allow you to find out why you think the way you do.

Anyway, I didn't mean to digress so much. Here is the point. I've learned to enjoy my humanities classes as much or more than those of my major. It is really sad that it has taken three years to discover the opportunity that was sitting in front of me all along. I guess that is the way life is, you don't appreciate what you have until you are about to lose it.

Jonathon is a senior chemistry major from Georgia.

Pyromaniacs

MMMNNNNAAAAA!!

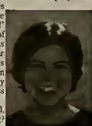
Shoot.

It's the fire alarm.

They go off quite frequently here No one is sure why.

Is it because we can't cook? Or because the deans get a buzz off forcing us to sit outside for an hour in our pajamas?

One thing is for sure, if there ever is a "real" fire, about half of us will die. As soon as I hear that obnoxious alarm I stand in the middle of my room and assess the situation.



Harmony Tillerson

First of all, what to bring? Do I have homework that I can do outside while the deans are searching for smoke and/or rebellious students who are still in bed?

Hmmmm.

Secondly, am I properly dressed? If not, I will change clothes. I feel that in this situation, comfort is essential.

Note to self: remember to wipe off green facemask residue.

After grabbing a few items and heading out the door, I am ready for who knows what.

Fire alarms are different than they used to be. I always hated them until this year. But in Thatcher South, fire alarms take on a new meaning.

I know I'm not supposed to make light of what could be a deadly situation, but come on-it's highly entertaining.

I find it interesting to scope out the scenery, for one thing. How often (at Southern) do you get to see people of the opposite sex in their coke-bottle glasses, retainers, and zit cream?

Who knew that (insert name here) really sleeps in a ratty G.I. Joe t-shirt and high-water sweatpants—not in his usual Abercrombie ensemble?

I think that fire alarms are when you see people for what they really are

Just a bunch of nerds.

No one can fide behind protective walls of Doc Martens, hair gel and make-up in the middle of the night.

Instead, you see fuzzy bunny slippers, bed head and Clearasil.

It is in the safety of the dorm—land of eyebrow plucking and wrestling—that people are themselves

And consequently, the most interesting.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

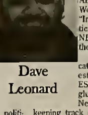
Confessions of a political junkie

Everyone has a weakness. For some, it's a sweet-tooth, for others, its procrastination. Still others crave attention, avoid responsibility, fail to stand up for themselves, and over-commit in different situations.

I'm no exception to the rule.

I'm addicted to politics. It pains me to bare my soul in such a manner. But something must be said about such an affliction and it has fallen to me to enlighten you about such a condition.

I don't remember when the addiction started. I vaguely recall (as a child) that my favorite "toys" were outdated issues of *Newsweek*, *Time*, and *U.S. News & World Report*. By the time I entered the first grade, I was a teacher's worst nightmare. No, I wasn't disruptive or rude or lazy. I was much worse . . . every question I asked (and there were many, many questions I had) had to do with politics. I wasn't any better in high school; in fact, I got worse. My American history/government teacher finally banned me from asking any questions in class. My classmates voted me "most likely to get shot" because of my never-ending political discussions. I skipped my two-week class trip (to Cancun, Mexico, no less) to go to Washington, D.C., for five days. And, in my senior year alone, I was stuffed into garbage cans more than twenty times.



Dave Leonard

Even after all this, I was still addicted to politics. I wouldn't be deterred by threats of bodily harm; rather such threats gave me a ravenous appetite for anything political and m y addiction grew.

You would think that coming here to Southern would have cured my addiction. Wrong. My stay here at Southern hasn't made things any better.

While you cheer for your favorite team in the Super Bowl, I'm analyzing the President's yearly State of the Union speech.

While you keep track of the world records being set at the Olympics, I'm more concerned with who won the New Hampshire primary and the Iowa caucus.

While you're watching "ER", "Millionaire", and "The Simpsons", I'm watching ABC's "This Week", CNN's "Inside Politics", and NBC's "Meet the Press".

While you're catching the latest scores on ESPN, I'm glued to Fox News Channel keeping track of the latest voters' opinion polls.

In short, I have no life. Politics saturates my every nerve, my every sense, and there's nothing I can do about it.

At this point, you're wondering why I'm babbling on in such a boring subject. I'm trying to warn you - not so much about the fact that I'm a political junkie, but more about what I'm capable of.

And about what the other thousands of political junkies like me, spread out across the United States, are capable of.

We know the issues we want advocated.

We know who we're going to vote for.

We know we're voting.

But if we're the only ones voting (and we're very small minority of American voters), what about you? Does that mean you need to ignore this year's election? Does it mean that you dismiss polities, saying that only people like me are lame enough to pay attention?

It doesn't take much time to register to vote.

It even takes less time to vote.

I know I what I'm doing tis November. The question is, are you going to let me (and others like me) decide this election?

Do yourself a favor: Vote this November.

Dave is a senior mass communication major from North Carolina.

Gritty about grits

One day, not long ago, the peered into my dorm m window and managed pull me from my sleep. I ned over in bed until ep had completely left me I had no choice but to up.

"I'm hungry." I thought to self. I was ready for some ts. C.K. here we come.

"Susie, Susie." I sang to roommate trying to coax out of bed. "Get up epy girl. Let's get someng to eat."

Susie slumped out of bed pulled on my jeans.

Flip-flops on feet, baseball covering my bed-head – ay. We're ready to go.

I was on a mission. I hadhad grits in several sum months. (I spent the nmer in Florida, and techally I guess Florida is conered the south, but no in Florida really thinks that way, so grits is not a thing down there.)

I remember the taste of se good ole' southern s that I had been missing summer. I couldn't wait to e my own bowl of warm, tery grits again.

Susie and I trapsed out of dorm room door, down steps to the Conference nter lobby (Oh, I mean hatcher South") and out the over-crowded park- lot to Susie's green nda.

We were on our way and I couldn't wait to fill my tummy with those yummy, filling, little pieces of ground corn.

Heather Flynt

We entered the C.K. and waited through the ten-minute line It was at last my turn, my up, my order.

"Grits please," I told the overly friendly C.K. cashier.

The cashier just gave me this pathetic look as if to say 'I'm sorry,' and I dreaded to hear my breakfast fate.

"No grits," she said with absolutely no facial expression.

"You're out of grits already?" I inquired in my confused state of mind.

And the only response I got was "We don't serve grits anymore. We might start serving them once the weather gets cooler, but I can't promise you that either."

But I don't want them when the weather gets cooler. I want them now. No grits! Do you realize that I specifically got out of bed just for a bowl of grits? And you don't have any? Can this really be true?

I must stop for a moment and ponder the situation and what all of this means All of my life I have heard of these Southern's and how they eat weird stuff like ground up corn for a breakfast cereal and fried green tomatoes for an afternoon snack. Grits are a staple to the south. Grits are to the south like Disney World is to Drlando.

No grits? How could there be no grits?

My day from this point on was ruined. Breakfast is the most important part of the day and I was forced to choose something else from the C.K.'s meager breakfast menu – a bagel – and it just wasn't the same I couldn't even finish it.

I decided to do my own research, if you will, and start my own grits awareness campaign.

I'll be sure to share my findings!

Heather is a senior mass communications major from Florida.

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How to write humor articles

by Rob York
Staff Writer

Every week the Southern Accent runs a humor column on the back page. Every week this is the first or second place people look on the paper. So, writing here will gain you instant popularity, respect and groupies. Well, probably not groupies, but people will repeat your catch phrases until it drives you totally insane BUT I'M OK NOW!!!

Some people have told me they wish they could write articles too. Well, it's not that hard (unless you be awake at night in fear of your English teacher, in which case, writing is not for you) All you need is to follow certain guidelines*.

1. **Write about life on campus.** And trust me, this campus is full of funny stuff. Week after week, I've found that the Southern students love to hear about the Gym Masters, a certain Dean of Men whom I'm on Thin Ice With, and, of course, the S.A. Of course, there are many targets, I mean, people that I haven't gotten around to yet.

2. **Catch phrases.** These can instantly launch a career. "Show me the money!" "Hasta la vista!" and "Know your role, jabronie" are all catch phrases that have made certain people lots of money** When people repeat a catch phrase of yours all the time, like, oh, I dunno, "Please don't hurt me," then you have earned the following I'll get back to you if I ever figure out how to MAKE THEM STOP!!!

3. **As far as reactions go, you can't beat sheer hate.** I look back to a few moments this past year as an indication that my writing career was going places. The first was when Dean what-is-his-name grabbed me by the shirt after dorm worship and told me I need to find another dean to pick on. The second was when a certain Gym Mistress used my arm for a punching bag.*** But the clincher had to be the response I got from the S.A. Rumors of their disapproval**** informed me that I'd struck a nerve, which is good. John F. Kennedy once said something about how you can please some people all of the time, but not all of the people all of the time, or something like that. It's true. I mean, knowing what we know about JFK, it's obvious he didn't please somebody.

Following these rules can make anyone a success in the humor column business. You may have to hire a bodyguard, but rewards***** are well worth it.

*And groupies!!!!
**And groupies????
***Which really hurt. Oh yeah. Heh heh, ouch
****And the dead squirrel in my mailbox.
*****And GROUPIES!!?!

said it

What's your favorite part of starting a new semester?

"For once I'll have a 4.0 G.PA."

–Mike Ieldro
Sophomore

"Seeing the fine, fabulous (not freshmen) females." (He wants everyone to know that he's single.)

–Glenn Aquirre
Senior

"Lots of new chicks." (He wants everyone to know that he's not single.)

–David Kozarichuk
Sophomore

"Meeting new people."

–Carrie Barnett
Sophomore

"Having all 'A's'."

–Jimmy Carter
Senior

"Opportunity for educational advancement."

–Bill Shearer
Sophomore

Poll by Rob York

Top 10

Top 10 childrens books you'll never see

by Joe LaCom

10. Strangers Have the Best Candy
9. Why Can't Mr. Fork and Ms. Electrical Outlet Be Friends?
8. Testing Homemade Parachutes With Nothing At All But YourHousehold Pets
7. The Boy Who Died From Eating All His Vegetables
6. Pop! Goes The Hamster . . . And Other Great Microwave Games
5. Things Rich Kids Have, But You Never Will
4. The Pop-up Book of Human Anatomy
3. The Care Bears Maul Some Campers and are Shot Dead
2. How to Become The Dominant Military Power In Your Elementary School
1. The Attention Deficit Disorder Association's Book of Wild Animals of North Amer . . . Hey! Let's Go Ride Our Bikes!

Police one-liners

"Can you run faster than 1,200 feet per second?"
"So you don't know how fast you were going? I guess that means I can write anything I wan on the ticket, huh?"
"The more we sweat in training, the less we bleed on the streets."
"Your life is not my fault."
"Take your hands off the car and I'll make your birth certificate a worthless document."
"If you run you'll only go to jail tired."
"Yes, sir, you can talk to the shift supervisor, but I don't think it will help. Oh, did I mentio that I am the shift supervisor?"
"Every dog has it's day. Good dogs have two."
"Warning! You want a warning? Okay, I'm warning you not to do that again or I'll give you another ticket."
"The answer to this last question will determine whether you are drunk or not. Was Mickey Mouse a cat or a dog?"
"Fair? You want me to be fair? Listen, fair is a place where you go to ride on rides, eat cotton candy and step in monkey poop."
"Life's tough. It's tougher if you're stupid."
"Just how big were those two beers?"
"You might beat the rap, but you can't beat the ride."

Ever wonder?

How come wrong numbers are never busy?
Does killing time damage eternity?
Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?
Why is it than when you're driving and looking for an address you turn down the radio?
Why do we sing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" when we are already there?
Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?
How can there be self-help "groups"?
How do you get off a non-stop flight?
If Barbie's so popular, why do you have to buy all her friends?

Joke of the week

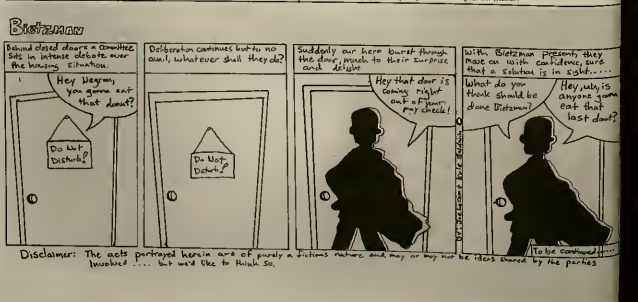
One day three men were walking along and came upon a raging, violent river. They needed to get to the other side but had no idea of how to do it. The first man prayed to God saying, "Please God, give me the strength to cross this river" Poof! God gave him big arms and strong legs, and he was able to swim across the river in about three hours.

Seeing this, the second man prayed to God saying, "Please God, give me the strength and ability to cross the river" Poof! God gave him a moment, and he was able to row across the river in about two hours.

The third man had seen how this worked out for the other two, so he also prayed to God saying, "Please God, give me the strength, ability and intelligence to cross this river." Poof! God turned him into a woman . . . she looked at the map, then walked across the bridge.

Random thoughts . . .

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst, for they are sticking to their diets.



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THE NEWS

OIL PRICES — Faced h a natural gas shortage, ring oil prices and precedented demands for ctricity, Americans are cing for the worst energy inch in a quarter of a cen- y.It should hit, econo- ts say, about the dead of ter, when temperatures resources drop and the d for heat reaches its k.President Clinton ered the release of 30 lion barrels of oil Friday m the goverment's ergency reserve in an rt to replenish the onwide shortage of oil reduce prices It is the time the government's ergency reserve has n used since former sident Bush ordered oil ped from the reserve ing the Gulf War in 1991.

PRAGUE, Czech public — After the rld's wealthiest nations d out lowering taxes to the soaring price of de oil, the World Bank led Sunday for "collective on" to bring the market er control. The Group of en industrial nations eed Saturday evening t President Clinton had e well to tap into an ergency national stock- to slash prices, and they supported central bank rvention to prop up ope's ailing currency, euro. "Collective action address price volatility help the worst-affected ntries cope with the her costs must now be t of the agenda for the rnational community," World Bank President es Wollensohn.

NATION — Taco Bell continue selling taco lls obtained from the e supplier as those alled by Kraft Foods, rding to a CNN report. ft Foods is recalling mil- s of packages of taco lls after tests confirmed y were made with geneti- y engineered corn that t approved for human sumption. Kraft says the duct is being recalled ause of questions about ther it could cause aller- reactions. But Taco Bell ior Vice President athan Blum told CNN he has "no reason to eve" the recall should nd to taco shells sold in restaurants.

WASHINGTON — A use panel Thursday an crafting safety legisla- after grilling Ford tor and Firestone offi- s about missed signals g the way to tire failures licated in 101 highway ths. Lawmakers zeroed n two issues: Firestone s showing a high failure and alleged inadequa- in Ford's effort to deter- e a safe tire pressure.

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Professional center in works

By Jimmy Rhodes
STAFF WRITER

Southern Adventist University will construct a $2 million building next to the Collegedale Credit Union to house the Health Services department.

Park Place Professional Center will serve two purposes-housing professional academic administrations and generating revenue for the university. The 18,000 square-foot center will include the proper accommodations for student health services and provide additional space for other professional tenants. It is expected to be completed next August.

"As of now, student health services are our primary tenants," said Marty Hamilton, director of lease holds. "We are currently working with other tenants that I am out recruiting right now to fill up the office building. We have a lot of interest in that space, and I anticipate as the center goes under construction, we will get more phone calls from other people who want to relocate."

The new center will not increase tuition rates, Hamilton said. The project will be debt-financed, which means that the income from the property will pay for the entire project. A loan will be acquired and the revenue generated from the center will pay for that loan.

The relocation of student health services from Thatcher Hall to Park Place Professional Center will give students access to a brand-new 24-hour state-of-the-art medical center and unoccupied space in the dorm for additional rooms to be built.

The Park Place Professional Center-with its pro-

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Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer

Coyanna Brown, junior music education major, spends time looking through her new Joker at the Joker Release Party Saturday night as Laryssa Barlow, sophomore accounting major, watches the Family Feud game.

Few copies of Joker available at release party

By Cady Van Dolson
EDITOR IN CHIEF

For the second year in a row, the Joker has experienced setbacks in the production process.

"It was frustrating because I know how things are supposed to run and have been through the process before, but instead of going as planned things went awry," said Mandy Shearer, Joker editor

Clifford Williams, the Joker's adviser, felt as frustrated as Shearer because of the setbacks.

"It's the same clown show as every other year," he said.

This is the second year that Shearer has edited the Joker. Last year she produced the book using her personal computer at home.

"It went better this year," Shearer said. "I had equipment and experience—a knowledge of how and when things should be done."

Shearer experienced several setbacks, causing only 500 Jokers to be ready for the Joker Release Party.

And, during the party, she experienced a setback as well. People began returning their Jokers as soon as they received them, due to the poor quality of the pictures. But none were left over. Those that were returned were given out to other students, Williams said.

Despite problems with the Joker, students seemed to enjoy the Family Feud theme of the Joker Release Party.

"I like the Family Feud theme because it goes with the schools' family motto," said Melita Perry, junior nursing major.

The game board and platforms for the contestants were made by K.R. Davis.

"I give all the credit to my social committee. I gave different options and they jumped on the game show theme," Social Vice President Laramie Barber said. "When people get involved, they get more excited and feel special."

This year the Jokers were handed out by classes inbetween games instead of at the end of the party as it had been done in previous years.

"Next year I think we'll do it all throughout the evening again," Shearer said. "I think it will cut down the lines because people will be participating in the party, and those who only want their Jokers can leave."

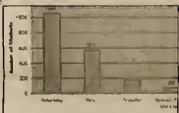
Southern finalizes enrollment figures

School of Education and Psychology has most students.

Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Southern's undergraduate registration totals are official, and the School of Education and Psychology is the winner, as it has 280 students working toward a major, the largest number among the departments on campus.

And the official number of undergraduate students enrolled at Southern is 1939, up from last year's total of 1707, the fifth straight year the



enrollment has increased, according to Joni Zier, director of records and advisement.

But inside the final enrollment number lies the statistics that categorize this year's Southern students.

The School of Education and Psychology gained 45 students – the university's largest increase – to remain the largest department on campus.

Alberto dos Santos, dean of the school of education and psychology, is in Guatemala and was not reached for comment.

The School of Business was second with 262 students, an increase of 37 students from last year, followed by the School of Nursing (213 students) and the School of Religion (207 students).

The School of Nursing is down 16 students from last year, but that figure was expected, according to Loren Phillip Hunt, dean of the school of Nursing.

"[The School of Nursing] admitted a smaller class last January," Hunt said.

The school also had a graduate class in Florida, but Southern is not continuing that program.

The School of Visual Art and Design enjoyed another large increase as it gained 39 students, bringing their total to 139.

"The program is fairly dynamic," said Wayne Hazen, dean of the School of Visual Art and Design. "Southern offers programs that no other Adventist institution offers, such as animation and cinematography."

The school continues its healthy success after more than doubling its enrollment in 1999

"We have designed a program for students interested in the entertainment industry and anything that deals with a production studio," Hazen said

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Food minimum criticized

By Sonja Bleu Lind
STAFF WRITER

People like to talk about food. Southern Adventist University students are no exception.

On-campus students are charged a minimum of $145 per month to eat at the cafeteria, Campus Kitchen or KR's Place.

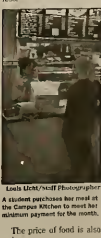
"It encourages people to come here and eat," said Richard Johnson, cafeteria head cook.

Earl Evans, director of food services, agrees.

"It should exist," he said. "If we didn't have the minimum, students wouldn't utilize the cafeteria."

Amanda Knight, sophomore education major, bought $35 worth of food this month.

"People say, 'well, if we did away with the cafe minimum, people wouldn't go to the cafe.' This system is very antiquated," she said. "It is something that would have been great in the past when there were not as many food options, before the fast-food generation. Now it's complicated. Now you can eat at Blimpie or Subway or Taco Bell for less."



Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

A student purchases her meal at the Campus Kitchen to meet her minimum payment for the month.

The price of food is also an issue.

"The price isn't reasonable," says Lorissa Byrd, sophomore engineering major who has eaten $70 on her September minimum. "I could eat at Taco Bell for less. I think the minimum should be lower because it creates unnecessary anxiety among students."

Some people don't mind the minimum.

"It's too high for some people, " said Dejan Pujic, junior computer science major. "It's fine for me, but not for others who don't eat much or don't like to eat in the cafe."

"I think it's just about right for me," adds Christine Jenson, a sophomore in Public Relations and English.

And, most students have suggestions to improve the minimum.

"We should pay one flat rate per month and then you can eat all you want," said Dustin Hevener, freshman math major. "I can easily eat over the minimum."

Reed Richardi, freshman religion major thinks there should be a maximum instead of a minimum.

"They should have

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Thatcher worships now outreach

Student dean tries new worship and outreach programs.

By Jason Arnold
NEWS EDITOR

Things are changing this year in Thatcher Hall. Dorm worship services will now have themes to try and make them more meaningful.

"We are going to use our worship times to practice what we preach," said. Stacy Tomlinson, a student dean, and the organizer of this effort.

Evelyn Hillmon/Staff Photographer

Stacy Tomlinson, left, talks to her fellow resident assistant Maribel Echevarria in the lobby of Thatcher Hall.

Tomlinson, a senior English education major, came up with the idea while reading a Sabbath school lesson this summer. The lesson dealt with hunger and how youth can reach out to their own communities and abroad, and inspired Tomlinson to come up with this new idea.

The goal of the program is to have students realize the problems both locally and nationally, and do something about them, Tomlinson said.

Each month there will be a different theme for worships, the theme will tie in with the overall theme for the year, 'We Can Do It.'

Currently the residents of Thatcher are sending encouragement notes to those who need them. On a national level the girls are collecting breast cancer lids, from Dannon yogurt, to help fight breast cancer

Next month's plans include a bake sale to raise money for Children's Hospital, and send cards to the young patients, Tomlinson said.

Tomlinson's idea put her in charge of dorm worship in Thatcher this year. Her motto is, 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' She has also derived a mission statement, an exert reads, "To use what resources we have to practice what we preach."

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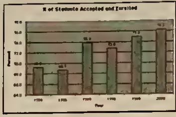
Hazen attributed the school's success to hands-on recruiting at academy career fairs.

The biology department also has 139 students enrolled as majors.



The School of Computing gained 26 students, buoyed by its marketing and advertising tactics and the addition of the Computer Systems Administration major.

"The school of computing has completely revamped their program and added new classes," Zier said.

One major that significantly increased was the social work major, from the social work and family studies department. There are 65 social work majors this year, an increase of more than 38 percent.

There are officially 571 freshman at Southern this year, up 154 from last year.

Any joke about there being three women to every man at Southern is grossly untrue, as about 54 percent of students at Southern are female.

While some people still jokingly refer to Southern as "Southern Matrimonial College," more than 93 percent of Southern students are unmarried

And students from 58 foreign countries – from Antigua to Zambia – are represented this year at Southern.

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posed white columns and cupola-will resemble the same southern-style architecture of the other buildings on campus, Hamilton said. The plans have been drawn and the grading has been completed. The next step is to find the right construction company for the job, he said.

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optional minimums so when you register, you can choose either a $90 or $145 minimum," Knight said.

But, no matter what the cafeteria does, there will still be those who complain.

"There will always be people complaining," Johnson said. "The cafeteria minimum has been here for a long time. You can never make everyone happy."

Weekend weather

THURSDAY: Sunny during tha day with highs in tha upper 70s. Thursda[y] night will be mostly clear with lows in the mid 40s.
FRIDAY: Mostly clear with highs in the lower to mid 70s.
SATURDAY: Mostly clear with highs in the mid and upper 70s and lows in the upper 40s.
SUNDAY: Partly cloudy with highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low[er] 50s.

School of Religion to move

One of Southern's most well-known departments to move to Hackman Hall

By Della Stolea
Staff Writer

The School of Religion will move to Hackman Hall in January 2002.

Almost 75 percent of all religion classes are being taught outside of Miller Hall, its current home, in Brock, Daniells, Mabel Wood, Lynn Wood and Summerour Halls.

"We have to run all over campus to do our jobs," Professor Steve Bauer said. "This is inconveniencing those departments."

Hackman Hall will put the School of Religion at the heart of Southern's campus, making it more prominent andgiving students better access.

"Many students never come into the religion building," Professor Donn Leatherman said. "This will enhance the religious presence on campus."

Hackman Hall has 20,000 square feet and is about three times as large as Miller Hall.

"I think it's about time the School of Religion got another building," said Steven Bremner, senior theology major. "Southern is known for its religion and nursing departments, and the religion building is the smallest one on campus. It will be nice to have all religion classes in one building.

The new religion building will house an institute of archaeology with a museum and a library. The School of Religion has one of North America's largest and finest teaching collections of archaeological artifacts, said Professor Michael Hasel. The artifacts are on permanent loan of Dr. William Dever, professor of Near Eastern archaeology and anthropology at the University of Arizona. The museum will not be able to hold all of the artifacts, so the exhibits will be rotated.

Hackman Hall will have more classrooms and office space, a state-of-the-art homiletics class, an evangelical institution and a laboratory for processing finds from archaeological digs.

The cost of renovating Hackman Hall will be between $1 million and $2 million. But, if there is an increase in tuition, it will not be for the new building. The money for the renovation will come strictly from donations, said Ron Clouzet, dean of the School of Religion.

Six more universities refuse to ban Napster

By Parker R. Conrad
Harvard Crimson

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (U-WIRE) – Six more universities announced Friday they would not block access to Napster on their computer networks, despite a request by an attorney for Metallica and Dr. Dre that they do so.

The decisions by Princeton, Georgia Tech, the University of Florida, the University of California at Los Angeles, the University of California at Berkley and the University of Michigan brings the total of schools officially refusing a request to block access to Napster to 10.

Four other schools – Harvard University, Boston University, Columbia University and the University of Pennsylvania – have yet to announce their decisions regarding attorney Howard E. King's recent request that they block the service.

Harvard is expected to announce its decision about Napster on Wednesday.

Although three schools agreed to block access to Napster last spring when King added them to a lawsuit against the company, no schools have blocked the service as a result of King's most recent round of letters.

King has said that he will not immediately sue schools refusing to block the service and will instead try to informally convince them of their legal and moral obligation to do so.

The arguments over a university's legal obligations with respect to Napster hinge on provisions in the 1998 Digital Millennium Copyright Act.

The act stipulates that Internet service providers (ISPs) have no legal responsibility for copyright violations on their network of which they are unaware.

However, once notified of a violation, they must take reasonable steps to correct it.

King argues that the use of Napster is itself sufficient evidence of copyright violations.

"I don't think there's any doubts that people know what Napster's used for, and how much it's used on college campuses," he said.

In their letters to King, the universities all say that Napster use itself is not sufficient evidence for them to take action under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act and say they will only take action in the case of individual acts of piracy brought to their attention

ViewSouthern 200[0]

Remember what it was like to visit SAU the first tim[e] The awe. The wonder. The exhaustion of the bus ride. [...] prepared to extend your best Christian hospitality to [...] Southern Union Academy Seniors visiting us October [...] Sign up sheets will soon be in the residence halls, and [...] would be greatly appreciated if you and your roomie co[uld] take a student into your room for two nights. One word [of] advice: for Monday, October 2, either make a run for [the] border or be patient with the cafeteria lines during lunch. [If] you have alternate plans, put them in action during th[e] meal. Again, thanks for your patience and understandi[ng]. SAU students are primary, but guests are important too

Victor Czerkasij, Director
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September 30

Camp Jordan Arena
East Ridge

Big Airshow

Remote controlled airplanes from WW1 to modern-day aerobatic airplanes

The U.S. Army Golden Knights skydiving team will be present for autographs

Admission and parking is free and the show will last for about two hours.

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Technology

Thursday, September 28, 2000

FreeNet leads to anarchy

ANTHONY VERA CRUZ

Many purists have stated at the Internet will be the ethod of destruction in day's society. The governent's views on this idea re clearly stated in the pster case. Napster was m down because it had aknesses-weaknesses t have been resolved by a gram known as FceeNet. FreeNet is very similar Napster and yet very ique in its own way. On eir website, FreeNet is scribed as, "a peer-to-peer twork designed to allow distribution of informa n over the Internet in an ficient manner, without r of censorship." The first estion that popped into mind when I read this , "How can anything on e web be completely free m any form of censorip?" Answer: It relies on a mpletely decentralized twork of users, in which re are no "host" servers, d no single person is in mplete control of the FreeNet network, nor is anyone essential to the operation of the system. Thus, there is no one to investigate, no one to sue or take to court. But there's more.

The FreeNet system also uses what is known as "intelligent routing and caching", meaning that when information is in greater demand in a certain area, the network automatically routes information to accommodate these requests more efficiently. It will "intelligently" create or delete mirror sites, based on the demand for a specific piece of information, thus greatly reducing download times, network congestion and bandwidth for highly requested information. Pretty cool so far, but here's the clincher:

Since there isn't one "central computer" on the network, censoring and removing content from the network is virtually impossible. Any piece of information can be found at any number of different sites, and with this intelligent routing and caching, the information is constantly being moved from area to area, based on demand, making it virtually impossible to pin down.

Now the question arises, is this a legal operation? It comes in the wake of a highly controversial court case, as if to spite the Napster owners in their failure. Even its founders state, "FreeNet is near-perfect anarchy!" Many believe that censorship violates our rights as outlined in the 1st Amendment. We, the people, should be responsible for what we choose to view, download and take part in. Can one expect content that violates copyright and royalty laws on the FreeNet network? Count on it! Do you think this is a system that would be considered morally correct? Are those who take part breaking the law, and if so, are we as Christians obligated to turn away from this type of "anarchy"?

Universities snub Napster ban request; Harvard to follow

By Parker R. Conrad
HARVARD CRIMSON

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (U-WIRE) — In a broad rebuke to attorneys representing the artists Metallica and Dr. Dre, four prominent universities rejected the request to ban Napster access on their campuses Thursday.

The Boston Globe reported Thursday that Harvard University is expected to respond similarly next week.

MIT, Stanford University, Duke University and the University of North Carolina all declined to restrict access to the music-sharing service in letters sent to Howard E. King, the attorney representing Dr. Dre and Metallica.

The four universities were the first to respond to the attorney's request for a Napster ban on college campuses.

In similarly argued letters, the universities claimed that as Internet service providers (ISP), their networks acted simply as conduits of information, and they had no legal responsibility for the misuse of their systems

"Stanford has no involvement in the alleged infringement described in your letter," wrote William F. Abrams, an attorney representing Stanford. "Stanford merely offers its faculty, students and staff connections for digital online communications, online services and network access."

Furthermore, the Universities argued that blocking access to Napster was inconsistent with their commitment to the freedom of information.

"As an educational institution providing its community of users with Internet access, we do not monitor or bar access to use of the Internet. This policy is consistent with MIT's educational mission and our deeply held values of academic freedom," wrote James D. Bruce, MIT's vice-president for information systems.

Letters from officials at both Stanford and MIT said they did not approve of copyright infringement, and would take appropriate action if King could cite particular instances of infringement.

But King said it was not feasible for his clients to investigate each individual Napster user.

"I'm disappointed in the attitude [the universities] have taken, which is 'we don't know anything, we don't have any responsibility unless we know anything, tell us who's infringing and then we'll take decisive steps,'" King said.

"I don't think there are any doubts that people know what Napster's used for, and how much it's used on college campuses," he continued.

Princeton University and the University of California system, among other universities contacted by King, are expected to respond to the request Friday.

In the meantime, King said he would not yet respond with legal action against the universities that refuse to ban Napster.

"We're going to try to keep a dialogue with these universities, maybe point them to some authority that they've ignored or are not aware of, that tells them they have a higher responsibility than just putting their head in their sand," he said.

That higher authority, King said, is the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998, which requires that ISP's take reasonable steps to put an end to copyright violations which they are made aware of by the copyright holder.

It is unclear whether the act would require universities to block access to Napster.

"Life Stages" virus breaks out on Townson campus

By Adam S. Reisinger
THE TOWERLIGHT

(U-WIRE) TOWSON, d — Towson University hit with another computer virus outbreak Tuesday afternoon, which was t as malicious as the Lovebug worm released in the ing, but still caused probs on the campus network.

The virus or "worm" own as the Life_Stages us is similar to LoveBug that it is spread through a icrosoft Visual Basic ript, but doesn't render a mputer unusable.

Masked in a normally nocuous text file, the rm does not destroy files otherwise damage comter systems, but caused r e-mail servers of Forne 100 companies to shut wn Tuesday.

Bill Leimbach, director of mputing and Network rvice, said Towson took ion on the virus as soon as they detected it on the Exchange e-mail servers. "[We] blocked incoming mail to the campus with the virus, began scanning for the virus, began scanning computer systems for the virus, tested anti-virus software and virus cleaning techniques, and notified the University community," Leimbach said.

The virus, once run, sends itself to a random number of e-mail recipients via an e-mail client such as Microsoft Dutlook. It then makes various changes to the user's computer, most of them affecting the system registry and any IRC (Internet Relay Chat) client. While the virus is only malicious toward PCs running a Windows operating system, it can be spread by Macintosh users who use an e-mail client with visual basic script support, such as Dutlook Express.

Towson students and faculty were informed of the virus via all-campus e-mail late Tuesday, but by yesterday, CANS had sent out a second update informing the community of further action. Wednesday morning, CANS blocked all attachments of *.SHS or *.VBS types, which are the two file naming conventions the virus uses.

More than 5,400 attachments out of 82,000 possible messages had been blocked by then. Also, all e-mails with the words "Jokes," "Joke,"

"Funny text," "Funny," or "Lifestyle" in the subject header will not be delivered.

Leimbach said CANS would spread the word quickly on any further issues related to the virus. "If there are any other developments, we will notify the University community," he said. "If people have questions or think that they might be infected, we would encourage them to contact the Help Center."

Leimbach also said Towson's current McAfee DAT (virus definition) files available for free download would clean the worm, which was first discovered in the public domain back in May. However, CANS is still testing the DATs to make sure there are no holes in it and that it will work properly.

"We are continuing to run repeated tests to verify the strain. For the best protection, people should insure that they have the latest version of the McAfee DAT installed," Leimbach said.

The McAfee anti-virus software and updated DAT files are available free to students, faculty and staff at www.towson.edu/cans. For more information on the virus itself, go to vil.nai.com/vil/dispVirus.asp?virus_k=98668 and select "Method of Infection."

Web privacy and security

By Keith Pulfer
TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

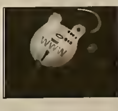
So you're concerned about your privacy on the Internet huh? Who isn't? Web browsers these days are all too happy to send out lots of information about you to marketers who in turn send you a lot of ads and offers. We all love those. Here are a few ways you can hide from the evil demographic-collecting demons.

The easiest way to mask yourself is to hide behind a proxy server, like Anonymizer.com. Anonymizer serves as the middleman between you and the web sites you choose to browse, thus preventing any information from being collected about you.

This is nice, but browsing using a proxy server is slower than browsing without one. If you're a Netscape user, it's still possible to remain fairly anonymous by simply removing your personal information from your browser. You can do this by clicking on the Edit menu (Options for you slow 3.0 users) and selecting Preferences. Without going into too much detail, you can look for any information you wouldn't want someone to know about you - and clear it out.

Java and JavaScript are powerful tools for web design, but they can be malicious as well. Often Java and JavaScript are used to exploit bugs and take control of your computer. Disable Java and JavaScript in your browser Options/Preferences.

Even cookies can be bad. A savvy Internet site can send this type of data packet to your computer and use it to track your surfing habits and collect information about you. Other web sites use them to save usernames and passwords, keep your account updated, or to store personal preferences. Anyone who has surfed the web has most likely acquired quite a few cookies. You may delete them manually, and then change your browser's Preferences to prompt you before accepting any cookies. This way you can control who collects information about you. Try it - you'll be surprised how many sites use them.



What about e-mail? I was hoping you would ask. E-mail is much harder to protect against your average snooping 14-year-old. A study of one company found that at least 25 percent of its e-mails were spied on. Two popular methods of encrypting e-mail messages are available, Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) and Secure Multipurpose Internet Mail Extension (S/MIME). Right now these two protocols are incompatible which makes sending encrypted email to someone frustrating because they also must use the encryption method that you have. So until these protocols become more standardized, I wouldn't recommend sending any email that you wouldn't want your mother to read...or that weird guy with no teeth.

There are more things you can do to protect yourself from malicious hackers such as installing a firewall and obtaining software that manages cookies, but that is beyond the scope of this article. There is a lot more information available on the web for those who are really into web privacy. Enjoy surfing!

Cut this out and send it to your parents!

When I attended Southern, I probably spent hundreds calling family and friends back home. And I don't know how much they spent calling me. While there was always the mail, and later email, nothing beat hearing the voice of someone you care about. I just wish rates like these had been available back then.

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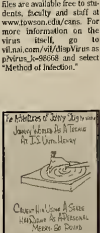

School of computing to hold monthly lecture series

By Keith Pulfer
TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

This year the School of Computing is once again sponsoring a lecture series held in Hickman Science Center. Various knowledgeable speakers including members of the School of Computing (SoC) itself will present lectures based on topics of interest.

The goals of the lecture series (according to Dr. Jared Bruckner, Associate Dean of Computing) are fourfold. It will provide a forum for presentation of topics that may not have a "home" in a course at this point in time. It will help educate students on emerging technologies. For example, Dr. Rick Halterman already presented a lecture on September eleven which discussed Java (tm) Distributed Programming.

The series will encourage faculty development and research as well as provide an opportunity for social interaction between students and faculty in the SoC.

Lectures are held each month, with announcements being posted on the first floor of Hickman as well as being e-mailed to those interested. The faculty is considering ways to encourage better attendance by students in the SoC including a change in time of the lectures, required attendance, convocation credit, serving a meal, better advertisement, and the giving of a door prize. No decisions have been made regarding that issue.

If you are in the School of Computing or are interested in the topic being discussed, you are encouraged to attend these meetings.

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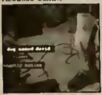
Grassroots music

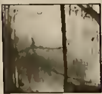
Dog Named David: Acoustic Canine



Acoustic Canine is a project that will be appreciated by old fans and new listeners alike. Upon giving ear to the contents of this album it becomes strikingly clear that a live performance by Andy Cloninger and John Wallace is the best forum for this acoustic duo, encapsulating the dynamics of intricate and energetic music alongside the familiarity and humor emanated by these two down-to-earth musicians. Lyrics so honest, heartfelt and at times silly are best understood in the vulnerability and raw expression of a live, intimate setting where they often evolve and are further shaped by audience interaction. Turning the volume up on Acoustic Canine is the next best thing to a front row seat at a Dog Named David show *Recommended for fans of: Indigo Girls, David Wilcox, Dave Matthews Band*

Zoubek and Bryant: Hinge

At a time when it's cool to label everything as "folk," Boston-based Zoubek & Bryant (formerly Threefold Cord) are the real deal. They are a classic folk duo-two talented singer/songwriters (one female, one male) who switch off lead vocals, accompanied by their tasteful acoustic guitars and light percussion. What separates Hinge from the slew of "folk duo" albums is the sheer quality of the work. The instruments are laid-back but not boring, the songs are



beautiful but not melodramatic, and the lyrics are poetic but not flowery. Hinge will renew your love for true folk music. *Recommended for fans of: Simon & Garfunkel, Joni Mitchell, Cat Stevens, Ellis Paul*

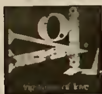
Sandra McCracken: The Crucible

Unfortunately, women

singer/songwriters are a bit rare in the Christian indie folk scene Yet those that do exist, like Sandra McCracken, produce some of the highest caliber music around. Sandra's debut album features superior songwriting, stellar performances and top-notch production Based around the acoustic guitar and piano, and complemented by a full band, the enjoyable songs cover the acoustic map from simple ballads, upbeat fast songs, and even a jazz number. Sandra's voice is mesmerizing, deeply expressive, rich and smoky. The impressionistic lyrics are heartfelt and insightful, telling the stories a young adult tells-ones of love, faith and hope *Recommended for fans of: Sarah MacLachlan, Fiona Apple, Jonatha Brooke, Susan Ashton*

Vigilantes of Love: VOL

Take the lyrics of the deep-



est folkie, add melodic Southern roots rock, shake it up, and you have Vigilantes of Love. For years, this Athens, GA band has been rocking bars with its amazing tunes and astounding listeners with its spiritually profound lyrics. This album is a compilation of their best work from their previous four albums, and it's packed with brilliant songs. Listen to VOL because they rock. Then, sit and read the lyrics, and get your fill of creative, honest, spiritual lyrics written from deep within a blistered soul.

Vigilantes of Love: Audible Sigh

Once again Bill Mallonee

joins with a team of passionate musicians to deliver an album packed with punchy lyrics, percussive music, and an edgy vibe that is completed by the classic wailing vocals that have long characterized V.O.L.'s sound. With this Audible Sigh, Mallonee gives voice and volume to his spiritual inquiries and insights by way of raspy ballads that dwell side by side with rocking, upbeat riffs. Likely to be labeled Bill Mallonee's strongest project to date, this album will satisfy longtime enthusiasts while captivating new listeners and drawing them in to the complex mind and magical music that are V.D.L. *Recommended for fans of: Widespread Panic, Indigo Girls, Bob Dylan, Guadalcanal Diary, Tonic, Neil Young, Tom Petty, Wilco*

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Coming next week:

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Entertainment for Southern students

By Evelyn Hillmon
Staff Writer

Here at Southern many students find activities to do around the area. What do they find fun and entertaining?

"I like to go new places," said Miyuki Kojima, freshman psychology major.

Like Kojima, most Southern students prefer something novel.

"Fun is being able to enjoy life going out with friends," said Dusti Devries, sophomore accounting major.

Some students go cliff jumping, like Cameron Danier, a junior theology major. Danier jumps off something high into water for the thrill.

Others enjoy wakeboarding.

"If there's anybody out there with a boat, you're my new best friend," said Rick Schwarz, freshman graphic design major.

Rollerblading on the Greenway, around Coolidge Park or at the Imagination Station are other possibilities.

Spelunking in the many caves around the area like Petty Jones, rock climbing at Foster Falls, hiking in the Smokey Mountains, playing basketball in the gym or just hanging out with friends are many more suggestions.

Some go cosmic bowling. Others swing to 30's music.

Swing dancing is fun because there's "lots of interaction. It's a good work out," Rebekah Bonney said.

Recommended roadtrip

By Jonny Wearner
Lifestyles Editor

Only one month into the school year and some of us are already begging to get out of here, even if just for the weekend. If that urge hits on October 7th, you're in luck. Get those late leaves and passes signed, then head up to Knoxville, but don't forget your tickets. Fernando Ortega, Andrew Peterson and Michelle Tumes will be performing at Knoxville Christian Center that evening; expect an awesome, praise-filled show. Tickets still available. Call to reserve or purchase in advance.

Saturday, October 7th at 7:30 p.m.

Knoxville Christian Center; Tickets $5, call 865.690.0855

Janell's Juice Excuse

By Jonny Wearner
Lifestyles Editor

"Sit back on the loggia, enjoy the view and treat yourself to a delectable smoothie, espresso, bagel sandwich or homemade muffin"...

Whether you are wandering over the Walnut Street Bridge, coming up from Coolidge Park or dancing on the Frazier Avenue footprints, you will find Janell's Juice Excuse welcoming you. This recent addition to the eclectic Northshore Area of Chattanooga is a venue that appeals to all senses.

Glancing at the menu, you find an array of fresh items ranging from simple, yet satisfying sandwiches to the mix-and-match "Blender Splendors" A friendly face behind the counter can help you decide which combination smoothie will suit your tastebuds and your appetite. If a certain combination is on your mind, do not hesitate to ask for it, they will happily accommodate your craving. After choosing your poison, the crew will go to work, measuring and blending the 100% natural ingredients that go into every delicious concoction.

Complementing the menu is the environment created inside. The lights and wooden floors are reminiscent of an airy studio, as are the framed prints by local photographer Vince Gregg. There is also ample outdoor seating with a view of the Tennessee River. If you happen by on a Thursday evening the live music coming from the back deck will draw you into the relaxed, yet lively atmosphere. Many students gather to hear local bands, such as The Big Three, performing at Janell's.

For those who want something solid to savor while lounging out back, choose from any of the sandwiches, pastries, muffins, or bagels available. All of the bagel and sandwich spreads are made on site, and even the most finicky patron can find something to enjoy. Bowls of homemade granola and peanut butter sandwiches make this mecca even more user-friendly, while coffee and tea choices complete the picture. Mingled in with your everyday beverages are the rarities, including Lingonberry or Elderberry juice.

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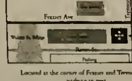

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Ask Sholly

Real answers for real questions

Dear Sholly:

My friend and I have been friends with this guy s[...] high school. She likes him but he is not interested in [...] We are both in college and I have developed an interes[...] him but have been holding back because I think my fr[...] is going to be upset. Recently, he has been showing a b[...] interest in me and I am wondering how to broach this [...]ject of my interest in him to my friend. I do want to keep [...] friendship.

Friendship Dilemma

Dear Friendship Dilemma:

Your friend has a long time through high school and [...] college to realize that this guy is not interested in he[...] would suggest that you approach your friend and tell her [...] truth about your feelings for this guy. A true friend will [...] you honestly how she feels about the situation and w[...] not try to stand in the way of your happiness. If this [...] likes you, my sense is that you should try out the relat[...]ship. You would want to make sure that you continu[...] involve your friend in your life by setting time aside t[...] with her. Sometimes friends object to their friends purs[...] other relationships because they are afraid that they [...] lose the friendship. Reassure your friend that this is [...] going to happen and make sure you keep your prom[...] Good luck.

Sholly

Dear Sholly

I have this urge to do something bad to my little cou[...] I am a junior and she is a freshman and she is driving [...] crazy. Can you imagine what it is like to have someone s[...] up to your parents, to your boss, to your friends, and alw[...] trying to be "one-up-on you" Everyone keeps saying, [...] can't I be more like her—industrious, caring, organized, [...] every positive adjective that you can find in the dictionar[...] she is at work, she finishes in half the time everyone d[...] then asks for more, or "I am finished let me help you." [...] makes sure the boss knows how much work she is ab[...] do Last week was my mom's birthday and I planned to [...] this gift we both looked at for her - I was waiting for pay[...] You guessed it, she bought it and presented it to her be[...] I could with this pasty smile. "I saw it and knew I had t[...] it for you" She is always around my friends finding way[...] be with us everywhere we go. I feel like...AUGGGGGG[...]HH! I hate her! Any suggestions how to get along with [...] me feeling this angry all the time. I get so angry someti[...] I want to kill her but I believe in the Ten Commandm[...] HELP!

No Goody 2 Shoes

Dear No Goody 2 Shoes:

Trust me I understand how you feel completely. I [...]gest that you continue to be yourself. I have learned [...] competition doesn't really help in these situations Wh[...]ever you are given a job to do at work, do it to the be[...] your ability and be honest in your relationship with o[...] people. Over time, they will be able to see that you a[...] wonderful person and will take you for who you are. In [...]tion to your parents, I always feel that you are theirs [...] regardless of how anyone tries, you are "daughter" and [...] parents will always love you. You are it and no one else [...] take your place! I believe that your parents are being [...] to your cousin and they can see if she is trying too har[...] out-do you.

Have you considered that possibly your cousin is not [...]ing to compete with you but is trying to impress [...] because she admires you? Maybe your cousin doesn't [...] comfortable making her own friends and she may feel [...] you do not mind sharing yours. It is not easy being ne[...] campus. You may want to try affirming your cousin w[...] she does something well or even ask her for some or[...]zational tips. Make her feel good about herself and like [...] has something to offer you, too. Encourage her to dev[...] some new friendships and interests. Get her into s[...] clubs or prayer groups on campus. If it is possible to [...] different shift at work, you might want to consider that [...] time, she will start to feel that you admire her and she [...] have her own circle of friends and you may start to fee[...]ferently about her. I think you know this already: next [...] shop for mom's gift with someone else. In the end ev[...]thing will work out. In regards to killing her, just keep [...]ing. One day you will look back at this episode in your [...] and laugh about it.

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The main event

by Morgan Koehenower
Sports Editor

Before the Game Team Martin was relaxed. Chad Wilkins mindset was "just run baby," and Jon Gless said, "I'd rather go home and sleep." Geoff Martin was expecting a tight game. Team Martin was missing Bryce Redding and Jeff Morris, but they showed up late. Both teams wanted this game.

The game started out nicely, but that is only how it started out. The game was tied at two, in the top of the third. Things get touchy when Team Martin started to score. The crowd could tell that Team Martin was nervous when Alex Paulk came up to bat: the whole outfield moved back 20 feet, and shifted to the left. He was homeless, however, and only made contributions on defense. Alex was quoted saying, "Chicks dig the long ball." Adam Brown spoke up by saying, "No, chicks dig the weak grounders." Whatever works far you.

Geoff Martin made two errors in a row, allowing a run. He tried to make up for his weak fielding by trying to advance to third. The Ump called him out but when the crowd saw the replay on the big screen they booed the call because the tag was late. That wasn't the only questionable call, Jeff Morris slid into home and looked safe, but the ump called him out. Benjie Maxon did not like the call, and with constructive criticism let the ump know what he thought about the call.

There was some miscommunication among Team Brown's outfielders that gave Team Martin a run with two outs.

The outcome was Martin winning 10-7, and staying undefeated.

Morgan Koehenower/Staff photographer

Chad Gilmore, one of the season's better looking athletes, participates in night softball.

Radnoti 15 vs. Benge 4

I haven't written about Team Benge all year, and by looking at the scores you can probably see why. In this game Team Benge was, how do you say, a punching bag. Team Radnoti opened a can, and didn't let up until the last out.

Jesse Jarnes, who I thought was good, struggled to hit it out of the infield. Matthew Melashenko hit Pitcher Jason foster in the arm. Reports say it was intentional.

The game was pretty much over from the first pitch. With Team Radnoti batting around the order several times.

Top ten plays of the season

By Morgan Koehenower
Sports Editor

10. Alex Paulk batting left and right, and hitting home runs.

9. When Benjie Maxon's throws from shortstop to first go into the dirt.

8. Paul carrying the RA team on his back.

7. Eddie Towles grunting every time he hits the ball, whether it is a grounder or a deep fly ball.

6. Team Slamon and their tremendous team play.

5. Kevin Johnson's diving snags across second base, and throwing the runners out at first.

4. Bryan Geach and his great anger management.

3. Ricky Schwarz. Ladies I know you watch him. He is a human highlight reel.

2. Shawn Cargile always squatting before he hits.

1. Matthew Melashenko consistently making crucial calls to decide games.

If you would like to be a sport's writer, contact accent@southern.edu

All night long... softball, what were you thinking?

by Morgan Koehenower
Sports Editor

All night long... softball, what were you thinking?

That is right folks. If you are on the right team you can play softball all night long. This weekend, teams from all over campus will come and play in the tournament that separates mice from men, the weak from the strong.

Team Martin looked like the team to beat until Team Nadti beat them to become the only undefeated team. Bob Benge had his power rankings and had Brown at #2 and Richardson at #3; they have both played below their talent level, and should take out some frustration in the tournament. Of course, teams always play better in the tourney.

There are always a lot of people at the tournament. People come from other states just to see the games. Last year was interesting Chris Lathom's arm snapped like a twig while rounding third base, and he had to go to the hospital. I hope that doesn't happen again. Team Skinner pulled one from who knows where and won the tourney. So come on out and enjoy the festivities.

This just in from an unreliable source, Team Faculty will be hiring cheerleaders to be at their games for all night softball.

By the way, I'm predicting Team Martin to win it all. Just so they'll lose now.

Best looking athletes of the season

Males-

Tyler Prentice. He is a beast who can crush the ball.

Chad Gilmore. I think we all know why.

Nathan Hunt. He has nice legs.

Females-

Kelli Reeves. Who's going to disagree with me?

Heather Lightfoot. Good form at the plate.

Paul Myers. He has cute dimples.

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FriChik	12/2.5 oz	34.00	21.00	22.50
Prime Stakes	12/13 oz	34.00	23.00	24.75
Low-Fat FriChik	12/2.5 oz	34.00	21.00	22.50
LOMA LINDA				
Swiss Stake	12/13 oz	34.00	23.00	24.75
Redi-Burger	12/19 oz	38.95	27.00	29.00
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EDITORIALS

Democrat Club The ability to govern thyself

The reason people vote is that it is the easiest way to make their concerns heard. By voting, an individual has the ability to govern himself or herself—not by being in office, but by helping elect an official that will meet one's needs. The only way that can be accomplished is by voting. There can't be a president unless someone votes him in. Why can't that person be you?

Yet, you say, one vote won't make a difference.

I beg to differ.

If everyone had that attitude, we wouldn't be a democracy because no one would vote and the system would fail.

You say if you register to vote you will have to do jury duty, and you don't want to do that.

That used to be the law, but it was abolished a long time ago—about the time they invented electricity. Now the government chooses people for jury duty from American taxpayers. So if you want to evade jury duty, just don't pay your taxes.

Another reason you should vote is that if you don't, then you can't complain about the political situation because you failed to take the time to do anything about it.

Voting is easy; it only takes a moment of your time to register and even less time to vote. Now you are left with no excuses to vote.

So do it.

Nothing would be accomplished if we didn't vote.

Republican Club Waste of oxygen?

A 34-year-old man once called the present generation "a waste of oxygen." Many teenagers' idea of a good time is to gather and sit inebriated in a parking lot using four-letter adjectives to describe how fast their truck can go. No human being is really a total waste, but what do these people intend to offer the world?

Now look at the headlines on the newspapers from the past year or two. What are the biggest incidents that involved a member of this generation? The shootings at Columbine are one example; then there's the violence and debauchery of Woodstock '99. This generation is a disgrace at times.

As you may have heard, there's a little election being held this fall. It's safe to say most of this generation will not vote. Several different explanations are used. "I don't like anybody who's running." "What difference can I make?" "I don't know anything about the people running." And worst of all, "I don't care."

Politics is a finned system, full of flawed people who want your vote. And that's exactly why voting is important. If you look at the numbers, less than half of those able to vote actually do. How many of those don't vote because they don't believe they matter? If they changed their minds, many of the outcomes of past elections could have been different.

Then there's the last excuse—the one from those who simply don't care. For many on Southern's campus, this is likely to be the first presidential election they can vote in. And, as Adventists, most believe we live in the last days. I believe the very fate of the world rests in this election. The wrong candidate could have a disastrous effect on the way we all live.

But the greatest reason for voting is none of these. Americans should vote just because they can. They were born with the right to do so. To the college generation you are the new America, whether you want that or not. The world is yours if you're willing to take it. Voting is just one way to get there. Do you want this generation to be looked back upon as the Great Waste of All? It's in your hands. And it's in your ballot.

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Forced church and vespers

Why is going to church and vespers forced? Doesn't this seem to go against everything that Christ himself embodies? Even Christ gives us a choice as to whether or not we want to serve him. Yet it doesn't appear that students at Southern are given that same privilege when it comes to making a decision on Friday night or waking up on Sabbath morning. Isn't Christianity supposed to be genuine and authentic? Not forced or paraded?

Unlike they are now, vespers and church were not always required activities.

Sharon Engel, Dean of Women, remembered that when she first started her job at Southern, vespers was not required. In fact, according to her, vespers was worked into the weekly worship schedule, similar to what students have now. Dean Engel noticed that students would go to their worships during the week and then skip out on Friday night. Dr. William Wohlers, Vice President of Student Services, recalled that during this time the atmosphere on Friday night in the dormitories was not what it should be on a Seventh-day Adventist campus. This was cause for alarm. So the President at the time, Dr. Sahly, deemed it necessary to require vespers and church for everyone staying on campus. Engel recalled that a lot of kids on campus were getting into trouble and so Dr. Sahly decided that things should be "tightened up a bit." Tightening up meant making vespers and church services mandatory.

According to Dr. Wohlers, the focus isn't on forcing kids to go to vespers and church. It is about making a policy that clearly conveys the school's commitment to certain values. And he believes that one of the biggest commitments Southern has is its spiritual programming. Though this commitment would most likely not change, Wohlers believes that by not enforcing church and vespers and making it optional, the programs are deemed as not important to the students. A question he then proposed was, "What kind of message is conveyed if we don't have this rule?"

The answer to that question seems complicated. If these functions were not mandatory, would students then believe that attending church and vespers isn't an important part of Adventist fellowship? Would they then reason that Southern places little emphasis on Christian activities and spirituality? Or would they simply forget that Friday night and Saturday are set aside as special days in the week, easily to be confused with regular week days?

The issue of Friday night worship and Sabbath morning services raises some philosophical questions and insights. One question is, are students really "forced" to go to vespers or church? This inevitably involves the meaning of freedom and choice.

On the surface, the requirement to go to church might appear to dislocate one's freedom. But in an absolute sense, the removal of freedom has to do with the removal of choice. And is the student body's choice really gone? Perhaps it is not. Perhaps the choice just can the wrong point.

For instance, people are free to choose whether or not they want to live in the United States. But once they have made the decision to live in the United States, they are to abide by the laws of the land. Similarly, students at Southern are free to choose whether or not they want to attend Southern. Once they have chosen to attend, they are to abide by the laws of the school. Though it seems that Southern "forces" its students to go to these functions, isn't the choice ultimately left up to the student?

A second insight one might draw from the comments that were made is how valuable ritual is in reinforcing religious behavior. By "forcing" students to attend vespers and church, Southern is creating habits for the student that will invariably be meshed into the psyche for the remainder of his/her life. An example of rituals turning into habits would be vegetarianism. Many Adventists who were brought up as vegetarians for a significant part of their life are unable to eat meat now because they are habituated against that concept. The very thought of meat is abhorrent to them. In other words, rituals create habits.

So maybe it shouldn't be said that Southern is eliminating "freedom of choice" or taking away rights from bona fide adults. Perhaps it should be looked at as Southern helping students develop habits that will remain with them for the rest of their lives. Even if a student was to decide to turn away from the Church later on in life, Southern has made it so that they would never look at a Friday night or a Saturday morning with out remembering what a was really meant to be.

And so, as someone once wisely said, "So a thought reaped a deed, so a deed reaped a habit, so a habit reaped a destiny."

Banning books does not further education

EMPORIA, Kan. (UWIRE) – Book banning has always been a serious controversy in the United States. Some works of literature that are considered classics by many are considered a threat by others who find some language and ideas in books offensive.

The week of Sept. 23-30, known as Banned Books Week, is sponsored by the American Library Association. The week began in 1981 to make the public aware of books that have been banned throughout the world in places like public schools and libraries.

The purpose of the week is to show Americans the importance of freedom between the First Amendment, free speech and books.

Banning books affects more than people in the community; it affects teachers as well. Semester to semester, literature is taught in high schools. Most American literature teachers' curricula include books like Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn" and J.D. Salinger's "The Catcher in The Rye." These books have been considered American classics by many people. Yet these books are continually challenged because some think they are offensive.

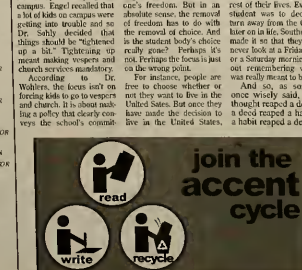
A couple of classes at Emporia State educate future teachers on how to defend the books they will use in the classroom. These classes are imperative because teachers must be able to talk to a parent or the school board to explain why these books are important to a child's education.

Another thing teachers need to be educated to do is discuss the book with the students before and while the book is being read. The teacher needs to be able to explain to children that, while certain words were written by the author, they are not acceptable to say in today's society.

People who try to get certain books banned have several arguments for banning books. Probably the biggest argument from parents is to protect their children from certain language and content. Other people want certain books banned because they believe the books are not politically correct.

Americans need to understand that it's OK if some books make them feel uncomfortable or may offend them. The next step after realizing that something is offensive is understanding why it makes one feel that way and then trying to understand the context of the offensive material and why it is important to the book.

Reading leads to greater understanding of ideas and broadens one's knowledge. But by not allowing someone to read literature that helps one better understand the world, only closes the door on education and understanding.



Vote it is your voice

Register to vote for the presidential election

It's your country--be a part of choosing your next leader.

Daddy's little girl

I danced on tiptoe in my ddy's arms last night. I n't dance with just any- dy. Only Daddy I never e been very good at it. frame is loose and my ps are clumsy. I'm always king down, trying to get feet to move. In step. In h y t h m . 2,3...1,2,3...1,2,3...1,2,3. I t can't hear the music. the way my Daddy does. That's when He gently s my chin and tells me to ep my eyes on Him. He s me in a whisper to let m lead. I surrender. He s me up. Securely. Placing tiny feet on top of His. ddenly, His graceful, eeping moves are mine o. His confident spins and cure footing are my confi- nce and my security. With ddy carrying me, His wlessness is my perfec- n.

I took a walk holding my ddy's hand last night. We lked a forgotten trail deep the quietness of the ods. It's funny how the eat of the darkened forest ngs fear when you're one, but brings peace hen Daddy's got your nd.

I leaned against His stur- shoulder, hand still rest- g in His, and let Him lead e way. He knew every nd Every corner. Like a ster trail guide, He steered me on a winding path deep in the center of the woods. Darkness covered us like a canopy. But we continued walking. Without a word. Without a lamp. Who needs to talk when so much is said through silence? Who needs a lamp when your Daddy's the "Light of the World?"

Janelle Chang

I saw lightning playing in my Daddy's sky last night. It didn't take long for the earth to recognize His presence. The clouds rolled back like curtains on a stage. The thunder welcomed us. The rocks beneath us seated us. The show above dazzled us Like children, lightning leaped from cloud to cloud. The stars glittered in their side performance. The moon watched from the balcony, and my Daddy draped His arm around me.

The show carried on forever. Or was it only moments? You lose all sense of time when you're with the Author of Eternity.

Finally Daddy applauded in approval and called out His command of peace. The clouds slowly drifted back together, and the lightning fell asleep.

I found a love note in my Daddy's Book last night. He had written it a long time ago and tucked it away where I would search for it and find it.

He reads His Book with me before I fall asleep. His words are soothing; His writing inspiring. His stories are classics; His promises a comfort. It was just like Him to hide a love note where I would discover it when I needed it most.

With silent tears I threw my arms around His neck and gave Him thankful kisses, wiping tears from the corner of His eyes. He whispered the note again to me, "I will be Father to the fatherless...."

I fell half-asleep in my Daddy's arms last night. His embrace was my cradle. His heartbeat my lullaby. Angels peeked through nearby windows and smiled on a Daddy and His little girl. Brushing strands of hair out of my eyes, He told me plans He's arranged for tomorrow. "Plans for good and not for bad, plans to give you a future and a hope." I nestled into His tenderness. Smiled. Those words had never sounded quite that musical before.

I heard a lullaby sung sweetly from my Daddy's heart last night. A very special love song that He likes to sing in a gentle whisper to fatherless girls as He tucks them into bed each night:

You're the end of the rainbow, my pot o' gold,
You're Daddy's little girl, to have and to hold.
A precious gem is what you are,
You're Mommy's bright and shining star.
You're the treasure I cherish, so sparkling bright,
You were touched by Holy and beautiful light.
Like angels that sing, a heavenly thing,
And you're Daddy's little girl...

Good night, Daddy.

Janelle is a junor broadcast journalism major from Florida.

It could be worse

My I.D. card isn't in the toilet.

Thank goodness.

Whew.

Bad days are inevitable.

No matter how happy you are or how great your life is, there will always be a day when everything goes wrong.

Or maybe a string of those days. Sometimes they arrive in herds.

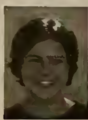
For instance, last year during midterm break I had a major hair accident involving dye. In summary, I looked like a skunk. I had this huge bleach-blonde streak in the middle of my head that my apologetic mother kept saying was "European-looking."

I was horrified.

The 8-hour drive back to school became a 10-hour drive due to a major traffic jam. Tired and frustrated, I stopped at Winn-Dixie to buy SOMETHING to fix my hair with before class the next day, and . . .

I locked my keys in the car.

The Collegedale police, bless their hearts, couldn't unlock it. So I paid 40 bucks to have "Rick's Lock & Key" come to my rescue. In the meantime, I froze in the midnight air as about 6 policemen that had showed up for the action sat cozy in their squad cars with the heat running.


Harmony Tillerson

I had ugly hair. I was cold. And I was $40 poorer.

Arrrrgggh!

Could it possibly be any worse?

Yes. It could.

When I am having one of those days when everything is obnoxious, I tell myself that it could always be worse.

My I.D. card could be in the toilet.

Have you ever dropped something in the toilet on accident and then had to fish it out? That's probably the most maddening thing in the world, right up there with throwing your keys away in the Taco Bell garbage can.

I like to think about that every time something weird happens in my life. I tell myself that it could always be worse.

And somehow, when I picture myself fishing around in the toilet for my I.D. card, everything seems a lot brighter.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

Who's really paying?

Taxes–I hate them, you hate them, we all hate them. Al Gore seems to think that the rich should start paying their fair share.. Have you ever wondered what a "fair share" is?

In 1993, the top 1% of taxpayers were paying over 28.7% of the taxes for the entire country. You might think that is fine because they make so much more than everyone else.. Nope. The top 1% of taxpayers only earned 13.8% of all income, yet they were paying 28.7% of taxes. That doesn't sound fair to me.

What about the top 10%, you ask? The top 10% of taxpayers paid 58.5% of income tax, yet they were only making 39% of the total income.

So when you get to the top 50% of taxpayers, they were paying almost 95.2% of the taxes and earning only 85% of the income That means that the bottom 50% of income-earners were making almost 15% of the total income in the country, but paying only a measly 4.8% of the income taxes

Why does this matter?

Jonathan Geach

People say the rich don't pay their fair share, yet the numbers show that it is actually the poor who don't pay their fair share No wonder they always want more government programs. While reaping the majority of the benefits, they aren't going to have to pay for them. Sounds like a good deal to me.

This is why I am a believer in small government. It isn't fair to rob from the rich. People who receive equal benefits should pay equally. My final point–the rich not only pay their fair share, they pay way more than that. The problem is not that the rich aren't paying enough, the problem is that the government is spending too much money.

These statistics came from the 1993 Tax Foundation and IRS Statistic.

Jonathan is a senior chemistry major from Georgia

He will bring you peace

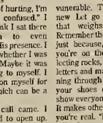
Have you ever had an bvious answer to prayer? It the best feeling. It's as if our whole life has changed st in that very moment.

Do you feel like you're nning each day as if you're ught in the center of a tor- ado? Can you relate to this ay of life? Whenever you el no peace, recognize that omething is wrong. I have en living like this for too ng. I thought I had my life nder control. If that was ue, then why was I feeling crazy?

I am going to be a little gue this week, but I pray at you will understand hat I am trying to share ith you. The past few days I ve been struggling with omething very important to e Often I make the mis- ake of collecting all of my onfusion, fusteration and ear. I bury it somewhere eep in my soul, and over me I forget that it exists. ventually, it turns into that ornado that tears my heart part. How long can one per- on go on living like this?

With time it destroys self- steem and relationships ith those you love. It caus- s one to miss every simple, eautiful moment that this orld may have to offer.

The past three days I real- zed that I was living in a tor- ado. I was living each day motivated by a fear that I hought I had worked hrough a long time ago. It jumped up and smacked me in the face. I believe that the devil took this opportunity to isolate me. He caused me to feel guilt and fear. The anxiety was so strong that I began to loose sight of "the light" or "the hope." I wondered where my motivation had gone. What used to put a smile on my face each day? What made my heart light and made me quick to laugh? I couldn't find it. I lived these three days poorly accomplishing life's daily demands.


Amber Risinger

Yesterday morning I woke up and told God, "I don't want to go through this day. I'm tired of hurting, I'm tired of being confused." I don't really think I sat there long enough to even acknowledge His presence. I question now whether I was even praying Maybe it was just me talking to myself. I often depend on myself for everything, which can be a big problem.

Then, the call came. I knew I needed to open up. This person always finds a way to calm me. He can see the pain without my telling him. I wondered how patient he would be this time. Could I spill my guts AGAIN? I was tired of myself. It was so hard to imagine someone else not being tired of me, too. I sensed his calmness and open arms even over the telephone.

Finally I opened up and what I found was that same familar, constant love. It was still there ready to hold me and to comfort me. With His help I saw then that I hadn't given my life over to Jesus like I said I had. I was still trying to control everything.

It is IMPOSSIBLE to be truly happy if you never become vunerable. Try something new Let go of everything that weighs you down. Remember the joy of singing just because, laughing till you're on the ground, collecting rocks, rereading love letters and maybe even running through the lawn with your shoes off! Open up, show everyone who you are. It makes others happy when you're real. "Live life to it's fullest".

Everything that is important to you, give to Jesus. He's the only one that can give you the peace inside to live each day trusting that He's doing things for you that you couldn't possibly do. He is everywhere all the time. His attention on us is never ceasing. If only we would come to Him daily and give Him our worries! Believe me it will change your life. He will give you a cheerful heart, He will paint the sky blue, He will cause the wind to blow, He will make the sun shine, He will reveal Himself.

This is a special thank you to my best friend in the whole world, Daisy. Thank you for showing Jesus' love to me. You constantly remind me that real love is excepting, forgiving, honest and most of all, continuous. You are a blessing to all who know you because you know Him.

"For I know the plans I have for you", says the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all you heart."

Jeremiah 29:11-13

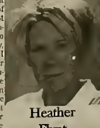
Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia.

My one true love

Her name is Karlie. She is y little piece of freedom d my little bit of equity. My ide and joy, and at times y worry and concern. She one of the few things in is world I can call mine. I id cash for her, I cleaned r, I loved her, I cared for r And let me tell you, she s seen me through.

She dates back to 1987. e is quite old for a vehicle. hen you look under her d you think her engine longs in an antique shop. t she has never failed me t.

My fabulous folks live in lando, Florida and the urney is several hundred iles I have driven it what ems to be a hundred times d she has always gotten me there and back. This summer I told my young adult Sabbath school class that Karlie has taught me about the power of prayer. It just doesn't seem feasible for her to handle the many, many miles I have driven her through so beautifully. On the trips when I am alone every little while I glance at the speedometer and thank the Lord I haven't gotten a ticket and also that He keeps my little car going. I cannot give the Volkswagen engineers the credit. At this point I believe it belongs solely to God.


Heather Flynt

In August of this year, I really put him to the test. After driving 1,888 miles through eight states, Florida to Colorado, I knew that God was surely not only my guide, but my mechanic. And after a week of romping around in the Rockies I made it safely back to Tennessee to embark on my final year of college.

She's not flashy, she does zero to 60 in six minutes flat, she leaks when it rains and at times she makes funny noises, but I love her

Cars are never a good investment, but with faith and prayers mine has been worth every penny.

So when you see me in my little VW Cabriolet be thankful for what you have. Be thankful for all of the things God gives you and takes care of for you. Be thankful God cares about things as little and as inhuman as Karlie. I certainly am. And I can't say enough.

Heather is a senior mass communications major from Florida.

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Having a bad day? read this...

The average cost of rehabilitating a seal after the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska was $80,000. At a special ceremony, two of the most expensively saved animals were released back into the wild amid cheers and applause from onlookers, a minute later, in full view, they were both eaten by a killer whale.

In 1992, Frank Erkins of Los Angeles made an attempt on the world flagpole-sitting record. Suffering from the flu he came down eight hours short of the 400 day record. His sponsor had gone bust, his girlfriend had left him and his phone and electricity had been cut off.

A woman came home to find her husband in the kitchen, shaking frantically with what looked like a wire running from his waist towards the electric kettle. Intending to jolt him away from the deadly current she whacked him with a handy plonked wood by the back door, breaking his arm in two places. Until that moment, he had been happily listening to his walkman.

Two animals right protesters were protesting cruelty of sending pigs to the slaughterhouse in Bonn, Germany. Suddenly, the pigs, all two thousand of them escaped through a broken fence and stampeded, trampling the two hapless protesters to death.

And lastly.....

Iraqi terrorist, Khay Rahnajet, didn't pay enough postage on a letter bomb. It came back with "return to sender" stamped on it. Forgetting it was a bomb, he opened it and was blown to bits.

Now see, your day couldn't possibly have been that bad...could it?

said it

"Stupid questions when I'm working the front desk."

–Dave Leonard
Senior

"The new teachers."

–Jake Mertins
Senior

"The gym is crowded with people who can't play basketball."

–Jeshua Hinton
Sophomore

"Getting used to cafe food again."

–Tenya Sebo
Sophomore

"Opening my books."

–Nate Taube
Sophomore

"Settling into a new routine."

–Troy Ondrizek
Sophomore

What is your least favorite part of starting a new semester?

Top 10

Excuses used for getting caught asleep at work

by Joe LaCom

10.They told me at the blood bank this might happen.
9.This is just a 15 minute power-nap like they raved about in the last management course you sent me to.
8.Whew! I guess I left the top off the liquid paper
7.This is one of the seven habits of highly effective people.
6. I was testing the keyboard for drool resistance.
5.Someone must have put the decaf in the wrong pot.
4.Boy, that cold medicine I took last night just won't wear off!
3.Ah, the unique and unpredictable circadian rhythms of the workaholic.
2.Wasn't sleeping, I was trying to pick up my contact lens without using my hands.
1. AMEN

Joke du jour

A young boy about eight years old, was at the corner grocery store picking out a pretty good size box of detergent. The grocer walked over and, trying to be friendly, asked the boy if he had a lot of laundry to do.

"Oh, no laundry," the boy said. "I'm going to wash my dog."

"But you shouldn't use this to wash your dog. It's very powerful and if you wash your dog in this, he'll get sick. In fact, it might even kill him."

But the boy was not to be stopped. He carried the detergent to the counter and paid for it, all while the grocer was still trying to convince the boy not to wash his dog with that stuff.

About a week later the boy was back in the store to buy some candy. The grocer asked the boy how his dog was doing. "Oh, he died," the boy replied.

The grocer, trying not to be an I-told-you-so, said he was sorry the dog had died but added, "I tried to tell you not to use that detergent on your dog."

"Well," the boy responded, "I don't think it was the detergent that killed him."

"Oh? What was it then?"

"I think it was the spin cycle."

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A young and foolish pilot was making his first ever approach to a landing field at nighttime. he wanted to sound cool on the aviation frequencies, so instead of making any official requests to the tower, he said, "Guess who!"

A very aggravated controller switched the field lights off and replied, "Guess where!"

Bietzman....The Beginning

Disclaimer: This is fake

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In the News

BEIJING — Chinese police pummeled protesting Falun Gong members in Tiananmen Square on Sunday the protests defying heavy security meant to ensure patriotic celebrations of China's National Day. Followers of the outlawed sect chanted slogans and raised yellow banners. Hundreds were detained and carted off in police minibuses packed so tight the doors would not shut. Police sealed off parts of Tiananmen, an embarrassing act in China's most public square on a holiday marking 51 years of communist rule.

HAVANA — Iranian President Mohammad Khatami met Saturday with Cuban leader Fidel Castro during an official visit to the island following the OPEC summit in nearby Venezuela. The subjects of the talks were not disclosed. Cuba's state media earlier indicated that the leaders would talk about a variety of trade issues, and discuss establishment of a direct maritime link between their countries. The two countries conduct around $100 million in trade a year, mostly in sugar and agriculture.

SYDNEY, Australia — The Olympics may be a TV ratings dud in the USA, but they are a hit in Japan, a smash in Britain and a knockout in Chile. "In the global take, we expect the overall numbers and reach to be significantly higher" than for the 1996 games in Atlanta, an Olympics spokesman said Saturday. Ratings have also been strong in Canada and in some South American countries. Meanwhile, in the United States, NBC's taped coverage has drawn the lowest ratings for any Olympics since the 1960s.

UNITED NATIONS — Morocco wants to become the latest in a series of countries that have dispatched planes to Iraq in what is seen as a mounting challenge to decade-old sanctions. Morocco informed the United Nations that a group there wanted to send a plane to Iraq on Sunday, but the United Nations asked that it postpone the flight. A flight from Yemen landed Friday in Iraq, after getting approval through UN channels. But it came days after French and Russian flights didn't wait for UN authorization.

LONDON — Prince William said a book by Princess Diana's former chief aide was a betrayal of her trust. "Of course, Harry and I are both quite upset about it — that our mother's trust has been betrayed and even now she is still being exploited," said William, 18.

Weather

Collegedale— Thursday will be warm with clouds and sun. Possible showers in late afternoon, with high of 77 and a low of 60.

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Registering to vote gets more complicated

By Wes Hall
Staff Writer

Southern Students wanting to vote in the upcoming November elections might have a hard time getting registered to vote on campus.

According to the 1998 Higher Education Act, all post-secondary institutions must make a good-faith effort to provide all students with the opportunity and forms to register to vote.

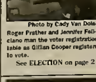
For this year's elections, though, students might be left on their own. The act states that schools must ask for enough registration forms for the student body 120 days prior to a major election. However, if the school asks for the forms, but the state does not provide them, the school has fulfilled its "good-faith" requirement.

Kari Shultz, director of student life, said that Southern contacted the state about the forms, but was told that they would not be sent any. Southern is now compliant, but students may not be able to register on campus.

"I think students realize the importance of our next president, but need to show it by registering to vote," said Dave Leonard, senior mass communications major. "I am hoping that the Republican and Democratic clubs and the office of Student Services are able to arrange a voter registration drive shortly."

The reason a drive needs to be held soon is in the fact that most states require that voters register a minimum of 30 days prior to the election. The registration deadline for this year's November elections is October 7.

Betty Penny from the Hamilton County Election Commission said that stu-



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Roger Prather and Jennifer Feliciano man the voter registration table as Gillian Cooper registers to vote.

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House candidate Will Callaway visits Southern

Democratic nominee discusses education, environment

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

Will Callaway, a congressional candidate, visited Southern Tuesday and spoke to about 90 students and faculty in Lynn Wood Hall.

Callaway, 36, is the Democratic nominee for the 3rd Congressional District of Tennessee in the U.S. House of Representatives. Incumbent Republican candidate Zach Wamp opposes Callaway and is seeking his fourth term of Congress.

Roger Prather, the social vice of Southern's Democrat Club, introduced Callaway. Callaway spoke for about 15 minutes to the Southern audience before fielding questions, with subjects varying from the environment and education to our nation's defense and gun control. Wearing a light blue shirt, gray slacks and a dark blue tie, Callaway appeared comfortable as he stressed that he is the better candidate to represent the 3rd District.

"I will be a better representative because I will be honest with you all the time," Callaway promised.

It's a job about communication, he added.

"Representatives need to have the ability to come back, sit with constituents . . . and have a dialogue," Callaway said. "You have to . . . be a representative, not a politician."

During his answering, Callaway did not use personal attacks against his opponent, but he criticized Wamp's public voting

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Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer

Press delivers more Jokers

Andy Shearer, Joker editor folds Numeriques to stuff in Jokers as freshmen Ted Prouty, left, and Anthony Cruz, sign to receive their Jokers Friday afternoon.

KR's remodeling put on hold

New elevator to be installed will interfere with remodeling plans.

By Delia Stoica
Staff Writer

Despite plans made last year to remodel KR's Place, a popular fast-food eatery in the Student Center, nothing has happened.

Last year, the Student Association officers spoke to all of the appropriate people and made plans for KR's to be remodeled. They had decided what they were going to change, picked out the new colors and had the issue passed by the Student Senate when they were told that the plans would have to be put on hold.

According to Brandon Nudd, last year's SA vice president, Associate Vice President Helen Durichek informed them that Wright Hall would also be undergoing some remodeling and that a new, handicapped-accessible elevator would be put in. This would mess up the renovation plans.

"In order to install the new elevator, part of KR's will have to be demolished and rebuilt," said SA Vice President Paul Myers, who was parliamentarian last year.

This will not change the dimensions of KR's, but it will be better to wait for the new elevator to be put in before beginning the remodeling in KR's, Myers said.

SA President David Warden said that the issue has not been brought up in this year's administration but, judging by the lines, KR's is really popular, and it should be remodeled.

More students are frequenting KR's, so expanding it is something the school consider, Warden said.

"I'm assuming that with the other construction going on [around campus] and with the news of the new elevator, this has been put on hold," said Jacque Cantrell, KR's manager.

She noted that the remod-

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Callaway visits classroom

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

Will Callaway, Democratic candidate for Tennessee's 3rd Congressional District seat, visited the Media and Presidential Election class at noon on Tuesday, held in a side room of the presidential banquet hall.

Callaway spoke during the class period about the media's coverage of his congressional race with Republican incumbent Zach Wamp. The class focuses mainly on the presidential election's media coverage and bias.

Callaway answered students' questions about his political beliefs and the media coverage

"The incumbent gets the better treatment," Callaway said, adding that Wamp has advantages such as established funds and a congressional office and staff. "The Washington D.C. Wamp is different from the 3rd District Wamp."

Callaway said he has been mentioned very little in the Chattanooga media.

"Unfortunately, we have only one newspaper in this market," Callaway said, in reference to the Chattanooga Times and Chattanooga Free Press newspaper.

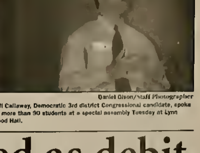
"It's a sorry state of journalism," said Stephen Ruf, professor of journalism and moderator of the class, referring to the low amount of coverage Callaway has received.

Callaway charged that Wamp has turned down eight offered sessions of media coverage, such as debates and formal discussions

"Though I enjoyed hearing Callaway's discussion on his lack of media coverage, I am somewhat cynical to how poor his media coverage is," said David Leonard, a senior mass communication major and Republican Club member.

"I'm not afraid to make mistakes, or win this time and get beat next time," Callaway said "But if [Wamp and I] were in a side-by-side matchup, I have no doubt I would win."

On Oct. 11, Callaway and Wamp are scheduled to be on WGOW-AM 1150, a news radio station in Chattanooga, for two hours.



Daniel Olson/Staff Photographer

Will Callaway, Democratic 3rd district Congressional candidate, spoke for more than 90 students at a special assembly Tuesday at Lynn Wood Hall.

We love our boys

Evelyn Hillman/Staff Photographer

Resident Assistants from Thatcher Hall lead the cheering for the Talge Hall RA softball team. The women provided the players with food in

ID cards used as debit

By Yvette Saliba
Staff Writer

This year, ID cards have gold chips that will work at some locations on campus as a debit card.

According to Information Systems (IS), if a student activates their Smart Card (the gold chip on the ID card) prior to its first use, it just needs to be swiped in order for a copy to be made.

The Smart Card may be used towards printing and making photo copies on campus, said Herdy Moniyung, programmer analyst.

Before charging can be done on the card, however, it must be taken to the ID card front desk which is located below the cafeteria on the first floor. Cash would then have to be put on the card. A student can place between 5 and 50 dollars on their card, Moniyung said. The cash would then be transferred to the gold chip, allowing the student use the ID as a debit card. After the transfer the student would be able to use it to print papers out of the general computer labs, or make photocopies in the library without having to carry around loose change.

The general computer lab in Hickman Science Center already uses the Smart Card plan and prohibits the use of last year's laser access card, which was a pre-paid card that allowed you to print a few dollars worth of paper.

This is a new concept for Southern and may not be available on other Adventist campuses, Moniyung said.

If the student body reacts towards this concept favorably, Southern hopes to expand this idea for use at the Village Market, the washing machines in the dormitories and vending machines.

For more information on the Smart Card, look at its Web site at: http://is.southern.edu/campuscard.

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dents don't need to be permanent residents of Tennessee to vote here. Students are allowed to register as Tennessee voters, but will need to reregister in their home state after they leave Southern. Another option for out of state students is to apply for an absentee ballot.

For individuals interested in registering to vote online, there is another option. U.S. citizens can register to vote or request absentee ballots online at http://www.newvoter.com.

Polling will be from 8 am to 8 pm on Tuesday, November 8, 2000, at Collegedale City Hall.

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eling was supposed to take place over the summer, but they did paint the walls to be easier to clean and had the valences cleaned.

Freshmen Chrissy Mills and EJ Santiago definitely think KR's would benefit from some remodeling.

"That wallpaper is in my parents' bathroom," Mills said.

Santiago thinks they should take out the mirror that covers one of the walls.

KR's Place was named after K.R. Davis, a well-known and liked man on campus who helped build the restaurant before it opened in 1982.

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record, stating that Wamp did not always vote in the interest of East Tennessee residents in regard to education and the environment.

Callaway elaborated on some of his political stances.

Callaway believes the government should seek alternative means of energy, such as solar power. He also disagrees with vice president Al Gore stance on the crude oil reserve. Gore favored the release of crude oil from the nation's reserve in an attempt to drive down fuel prices.

"It's a political move on Gore's part," Callaway said.

Callaway favors improving public schools.

"I think it is a wise investment of our money," he said, promising to vote against any plan that would take money away from the public schools.

Callaway is against an initial tax cut, instead preferring to have additional funds go toward reducing the national debt. He wants to eliminate money taken from the trust funds to compensate for the debt. Callaway has pledged to return $2,000 a month to the U.S. Treasury if elected.

Collaway thanked the audience at the end of the session, saying he enjoyed the "give-and-take" dialogue.

Lawrence Hanson, professor of mathematics, contacted Callaway about visiting Southern.

"We should have both sides of an issue," said Troy Ondrizek, president of the Democrat Club, pointing out that challenged representative Zach Wamp spoke at Southern last year during convocation.

"Callaway seem very dedicated," Ondrizek said. "He was respectful to his opponent and wants to make a difference."

Zach Shultz, a freshman history major, said he enjoyed the convocation format because it had a political theme.

"Callaway seemed like a capable candidate, but I disagree with some of his views," Shultz said.

Callaway was raised in Clevelend, Tenn. and has lived in the greater Chattanooga area for most of his life. He earned his Master of Science degree in Enviromental and Natural Resource Management from the University of Michigan in 1993. Callaway has worked with administration in Congress for five years. He works as a sales representative for Callaway Sales in Cleveland.

The Young Republican Club of Southern Adventist University presents the first annual

G.O.P

GOLF CHALLENGE

When: Sunday, Oct. 15; 8:30 a.m.
Where: Nob North Golf Course
Cost: $25 walking; $35 riding
(includes 18-hole greenfee, prizes, refreshments and plenty of GOP propaganda)

Format: pre-flighted two-person best ball (low ball) and pre-flighted individual stroke play

Sign up individually or in two-person teams by Monday, October 9.

For more information, contact Brandon Nudd at 238-3214

Boston college students prepare for debates

By Tiffany Lankes
Daily Orange

BOSTON (U-WIRE)– With the first U.S. presidential debate set for Tuesday at the University of Massachusetts at Boston, organizers have turned the campus into a ghost town.

The university's administration cancelled Monday's classes and closed all offices to secure the area and prepare security for the event.

The campus quad was barren. The cafeterias were vacant. The library was abandoned

"It's really strange," said Allison Scobie-Llyod, who was not aware that classes were cancelled until she arrived on campus Monday and realized she was the only person there. "Obviously I'm the only one who missed the boat on that one."

The university completely evacuated the campus, leaving behind only a few members of the media and representatives of each candidate, said Ethel McClelland, a secretary at UMass Public Safety.

"The candidates each have people here getting their candidate ready for what to expect," she said. "It's a very exciting time for the university. In a way, a lot of students are proud to be here."

Scobie-Llyod, a UMass graduate student, said that while the campus seemed abandoned, banners of red, white and blue served as reminders of Tuesday's debate.

"It's an honor to have this here," she said.

While political enthusiasm may currently be high at UMass, the arrival of the candidates to Boston for the debate has failed to stimulate activity at all of the city's colleges.

At Boston University, students are apathetic toward campaign issues and political activism is practically non-existent, said Reid Peryman, a BU sophomore.

"Our school really doesn't have a sense of politics," Peryman said.

Peryman added that while many students have participated in local protests of the World Trade Organization and World Bank, the demonstrations are sometimes seen as trivial.

"It's kind of hard to take the protests seriously when they happen all the time," he said. "Everyone wants to protest something."

Ramina Bonheur, a BU graduate student, agreed that the few groups involved in political activities seem invisible on campus.

"They could be doing a little more," she said. "I wonder how many students here have even heard of the debates."

The lack of enthusiasm BU can be attributed in pa to the self-focused attitud of students on campus, B sophomore Sean Hans said.

Students have oth things to do besides parti pate in political programs take a stance on issues, added.

"Most students just go classes and get on with th lives," Hansen said.

An added problem is th because BU residence ha do not have access to ca television, students can even watch the debates

While political apathy said to be commonplace BU, several Boston Colle students said the debate h perked student interest.

"It's good they're havi it here," said Jon Olsson BC senior. "College k don't vote that much and will stir some enthusiasm an area with a lot of colle kids."

Shannon Murphy, also BC senior, agreed that debate would have a posit effect on Boston's stud population.

"The young people get more into the debate a that's good," Murphy sa "There's been a fall-out student voices so they're ing to get people to rea their opinions can make difference."

Hamilton County American Heart Wal

Citizens of Hamilton County and the surrounding area will take steps to fight heart disease and stroke–America's leading causes of death and disability–at the American Heart Walk on Saturday, October 14 at Coolidge Park, Chattanooga. The festivities begin at 8 a.m., and the Walk will start at 9 a.m. Corporate teams, totaling over 2,000 walkers, will represent over 70 area businesses.

The Walk is a national American Heart Association event held in over 1,000 locations nationwide. The Chattanooga Heart Institute and Memorial Hospital are presenting the Hamilton County Heart Walk. Other corporate sponsors include: Winn Dixie, Parkridge Medical Center, Chattem, Inc., US Xpress, Powertel and Sun Trust Bank. Media sponsors are NewsChannel 9 and WOGT 107.9.

"Heart disease is America's leading killer, and stroke is the leading cause of serious disability," said Sue Culpepper, chairperson of the 2000 Heart Walk "Through the American Heart Walk we not only educate people about how to prevent these diseases, but also raise funds to support life-saving research.

"In Tennessee, the statistics are staggering. In 1999, 22,100 people died from cardiovascular disease," says Ms. Culpepper. "It is just about impossible to find someone who has not been touched by this terrible disease."

Participants of all ages are expected to join in the fun morning walk, which will begin with registration at 8 a.m.

"Coolidge Park will provide a lovely area to begin the event," Ms. Culpepper said. "We are going to walk about three miles, have some refreshments and celebrate our volunteers who have given their time and money to the walk."

Many area businesses are promoting employee health and wellness by organizing company walking tea And don't be surprised if see red-heart disea stroke and heart surg survivors will be hono with special red caps, vided by Parkridge Med Center, to show that they fighting back against th deadly diseases

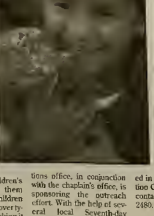
The event particip are not just walking for t health. They are raising perately needed funds support American H Association research (million in Tennessee) education programs return for these effo each walker who raises and more will earn an Am ican Heart Walk t-shirt other great thank-prizes.

"We really feel like we be setting the stage this in Chattanooga for an bigger event next year," Culpepper said. "The pe here have been some of most kind and gener people I've ever had pleasure of working with

Operation Christmas Child kicks of

By Garrett Nudd
Special to the Accent

This fall the students and administration at Southern Adventist University are participating in Operation Christmas Child, a unique mission project that will impact the lives of hundreds of children around the world. On Friday evening at the annual outdoor vespers, Beecher Hunter, executive vice president of corporate and community relations for Life Care Centers of America, will present the program to the university students and challenge them to get involved.



Operation Christmas Child was started in 1993 by Franklin Graham and Samaritan's Purse. It's mission is to collect gift-wrapped shoeboxes filled with children's toys and distribute them around the world to children in war-torn and poverty-stricken countries, making it possible for even the most unfortunate child to experience the miracle of Christmas. Last year alone, more than three million shoeboxes were distributed worldwide.

Southern's public relations office, in conjunction with the chaplain's office, is sponsoring the outreach effort. With the help of several local Seventh-day Adventist churches and elementary schools, as we Collegedale Acad Southern is hoping tha its first year the camp will be a success.

"I think Operation Ch mas Child is a great istry, and I'm excited a the students ge involved," said Howell, directo public relations. fun to see stud and staff wor together for the efit of kids who normally get to e rience Christmas

Students will bringing their wrapped, toy shoeboxes to Third service in lles P.E. Center G nasium on Satu morning, Nove 18. Those who d regularly attend Third can drop their shoeboxe the university p relations office Wright Hall any before Novembe

If you are inte ed in participating in Op tion Christmas Child, pl contact Garrett Nudd at 2480.

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FaithXpress

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Christ in Estonia

By Debbie Battin
STAFF WRITER

"Was it hard to be a Chris- in Estonia?"

Liuba Litvinikova swered quickly and direct- "Not if you aren't amed of your Religion."

Liuba became a Christian the 1980s when Commu- n still controlled a signif- nt part of the country. wever, Christianity was eading rapidly, and her m was no exception.

"How did you first come a Christian?"

Liuba and her mother re out walk- on a Satur- y morning. ey passed a urch, and ught it was nge to see ts on. It a Baptist urch with mething cial going They ided to see at was hap- ing.

They con- ued to visit churches in area. The Baptists invit- them to come back. nce after a service in the ptist church, we saw a arby SDA church was eting also. So we walked er to see what it was all out" remembers Liuba. n they started going to Adventist church regu- y. Liuba was especially dicated to going to urch, and she began to k many questions. At age she was baptized into the A church.

Liuba attended public hool, and found it supris- ly easy to maintain her ristian faith. She was expected to be different. Her best friend was a communist, and they respected each other completely. Liuba compares Estonia to our society, "It's harder to be a true Christian in a religious society, because there are so many people who claim Christianity only when it is convenient. They call themselves Christian, yet they will treat other people bad, and use others for their own gain. It's hypocrites that give Christianity a bad reputation."

. As a result of her new found faith in God, Liuba began to sell books in her small town. "I did not get any money for a while. There was no pay for volunteer colporteurs," says Liuba. If you have ever been a colporteur, you know the rewards of the work are often not seen right away. When God reveals the fruits of your work, it is always amazing. One day a Catholic lady came to visit the SDA church. She testified that Liuba had sold one of Ellen White's books to her. She read the book and was searching for the truth about God. She began to come to church regularly, and decided to be baptized. Praise God for using a young girl to change a heart.

Liuba Litvinikova is a senior biochemistry major from Estonia.

Liuba is a senior Bio-Chemistry major. She continues to live her faith. In order to keep her spirituality strong at a busy place like Southern, she keeps her priorities straight and focuses on what really matters. Having a relationship with God is all that will matter in the end.

"Stop trying to get closer to God, and let God draw you closer to Him. Stop basing your relationship with God on feelings, or on how good or bad your day is," Liuba said on how to get closer to God. "Don't slip into a boring, regimented routine of devotions that don't mean anything. God is real, and He will show you how to get to know him more, and you won't have to struggle hard to get closer. You should just relax and let Him take your cares."

God really does take our cares, but He won't take them unless we willingly give them to Him. It is easy to become self sufficient in a busy place like Southern. Finding quiet time in all the craziness may seem impossible. The solution? As Liuba said, God must become a priority. Try putting God at the top of your list today. You won't regret it.

Free your mind!

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

Have you seen the movie, Matrix? This movie is one of my favorites because it is a great pop-culture metaphor for the journey from unbelief to faith. For those of you who have not seen it, you probably think I'm a heretic, but just keep reading. Here is the jist of the story; think of it as a parable.

Artificial intelligence evolved into a higher life form than humans. There was war between the two, and the humans blocked out the sun in order to cut off the computer's source of power. But AI started incubating human bodies in order to tap into them for energy.

In order to keep the humans in submission, AI downloads a computer generated-world onto each person's brain/hard drive. Thus millions of people are living in a false reality (the matrix) that looks, feels, tastes, sounds and smells just like human life did at the end of the 20th century. But in reality it is a few hundred years later and they are arranged in fields of incubators to be used as batteries for AI.

But there was someone born in the matrix that somehow had the power to change it as he saw fit. This special person died trying to free people from the matrix. But later an Oracle prophesied that another person would be born that would have this same power. This second coming of a chosen one would finally free the human race. So, the movie begins with a team of people who have been freed searching for the "chosen one."

The main character, called Mr. Anderson, is a computer hacker that goes by the screen name Neo. The movie is about this team of people trying to rescue Neo from the control of the Matrix and train him to fight against AI to save the human race. The hardest part is trying to "free Neo's mind" from thinking his life in the matrix is real and that he has to obey the same rules of true reality (like gravity) in the computer-generated program of false reality.

Did you follow me? Or do I need to give you the "disciple" translation that Jesus always gave after he used parables? Of all the parallels to the great controversy I could draw, let's focus on only two.

One, everyone on earth is a slave to a false perception of reality. People of the world of sin think that what they see, hear, feel, taste, touch and smell is all there is. But there is a whole dimension of spirituality they are missing. They are what the Bible calls "blind." That's why Jesus preached "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven (the true spiritual world) is near" (Matt. 4:17). Jesus is saying that the good news is that this world is not all there is. There is a spiritual world that you can enter by faith. Thus faith is "being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" (Heb. 11:1).

Two, everyone who passes from the matrix of sin into the true reality of Christ must be trained. Just like Neo did not have to obey the law of gravity, but fell off the top of a skyscraper, so we do not have to obey the law of sin in us, but often fall anyway. We must train ourselves to realize that we are dead to sin and alive to righteousness and that our old man of sin was crucified when we believed in Christ. Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. . . . if the Son sets you free, you are free indeed" (John 8:34,36). Basically, He was saying, "I'm trying to free your mind!"

"Dumb" rules of Southern

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

Public sin demands public confession, so here it goes. I skipped so many worships one or two semesters that I was charged a fine! I'm sorry Dean Negron if I hurt your feelings by the letter I wrote to you (that included a check).

Many students feel like there are "dumb" rules at Southern whose only purpose is to be a superficial measurement of spirituality to the older generation. For example, required dorm worship and vespers attendance, no shorts in class, or the old rule of ties to vespers. And on top of it all, when asked why we have these rules, many times the answer is "just because" (And if you think that's a good answer, then you are just like a Pharisee who imposed burdensome human made traditions on the common people during Jesus' life).

It's a matter of history that when true inner spiritual depth has been drained low, that religious people get even more strict in the external performance of religious duties. I'm not saying we should do away with standards, but I am saying that we should evaluate our rules and standards by some Biblical principles Try these three on for size.

First, spirituality is not something you inherit, it is based on a personal decision. For example, my roommate went to a Christian university where dorm worships were not required. And he felt the religious life on campus was even better than here. But keep this in mind, SAU is stocked by many "feeder" schools, whereas most other Christian universities are not. They are fed by young Christians fleeing the "persecution" of public school (like me). The basic difference here is that many of our academy graduates accept Adventism only as some weird cultural phenomena, and when they get here, they rebel like an angry five-year-old. The point is, we should encourage people to "obey"–not to sustain a religious system they don't understand, but because they want to do it to show a personal commitment to Jesus.

Second, we want an atmosphere of spiritual accountability. I know many of our programs may be required out of a sense of corporate institutional life, but I suggest we should go farther. If we could ask about each other's devotional and worship life on a student to student level, we wouldn't go simply to get credit. We would go to maintain a Biblical sense of community.

Third, all of us need to read the little "mission" plaques on our walls. When you and I applied and agreed to come here, we implied that we believe in the mission of this campus. The core values of our school go beyond programs and degrees to include things like service and a Christ-centered community.

When viewed from these three perspectives, not all of our rules sound so "dumb" after all. But many standards will remain "dumb" until every student has personally decided to follow Jesus, feels a sense of spiritual accountability to other students, and believes in the mission of school.

Get real about commitment

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

After ten months of no evision in the jungles of yana, I decided to chan- surf one night this past mmer I was amazed to what some people are mmitted to. Guiness Book World Records was show- a lady committed to let- g her beard grow the gest of any female! other man had trained so ch he could lift 110 unds of bricks - with his ! Three other 72-year-old hion models were com- ted to using Revlon and er cosmetics so they uld not feel ashamed of ing their age. These pur- s may be entertaining or ord breaking, but how worthy are they of someone's commitment of time, energy and money?

College life offers a variety of degrees and social outlets to commit to Most of us are committed to getting to class on time. Fewer of us are committed to studying for those classes If your cafe bill is a measure of commitment, then we have definitely decided to eat - no matter what it tastes like. But what about our Christian life? Does growing to be like Jesus require any commitment? And how important is that commitment compared to our other pursuits?

"And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice - the kind he will accept. When you think of what he has done for you, is this too much to ask?" (Rom 12:1).

To offer a sacrifice in Old Testament times took commitment - total and complete It was once and for all, and it couldn't be done half way. Spiritual growth will not just happen naturally. You have to decide that it is what you want because of what Christ has done for you personally.

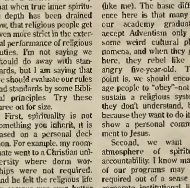
You are not a Christian by birth into an Adventist family. I am not a Christian because I attend religious programming. Each of us is Christian because each has decided, personally and wholeheartedly, to follow Jesus.

The Adventist Ghetto and the Church-Hopping Syndrome

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

If you still have not got it, you are in an "Adventist Ghetto." The majority of the people living in Collegedale are Adventists, and that makes our place a little different than an ordinary town. The distinguishing feature of our ghetto is the high concentration of churches within a small geographic area. This obviously is a necessity. All the Adventists need a place to worship. But it also creates an interesting phenomenon. I call it the church-hopping syndrome. Maybe some of you have already tried it. It is basically the tendency that we have to hop around from church to church, kind of checking out the situation.

Church-hopping is very much like shopping in the Mall. We check out this store, and that store, until we find the item that we need. But is the church a spiritual store? Well, it seems that we are treating it more or less like one. Before we decide on the church we are going to attend, we find out what the church offers. Who will be speaking? Is the congregation friendly? Do they serve a potluck after the worship? What kind of worship style do they have? Who has the most interesting program that we don't want to miss? Based on these criteria we rate the churches and make our decision in favor of the one that we feel will give us the most, that will satisfy our needs the most. If that is your idea about church, and if that is what you think a church is for, you are far from the truth.



The Bible has a very different idea about church. The Biblical concept of church has nothing to do with a store; it is not a place where consumers may find the product they want to acquire. The very word church (ekklesia) literally means "the ones called out." From here it is clear that church is not a building, it is not a product, it is not a show or a program put up by the pastor and the elders. Church is a set of people who have responded to God's call. They are people of God. As such our main mission is not to shop around for a church. We are the church, and as such, we ought to commit to a specific body of believers and become actively involved in ministry. We should go to church with the intention to contribute to the overall ministry of the body, not just simply to be served.

Having said this, I do not want to discourage you from visiting different churches in the area. I think this has its rightful place, if done with the right intentions. I would encourage each of you to acquaint yourself with the churches around, but with the intent to find the one church that God is "calling you out" to, and to commit to it, and contribute your part in its ministry.

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The Southern Accent
Sports
Thursday, October 5, 2000

Faculty brings in ringers for all night softball

By Morgan Koehenower
Sports Editor

A cool, brisk breeze and the stadium lights were breaking through the darkness providing sight for championship hungry athletes. There was jabbering of fans. The concession stands were active providing fake hotdogs and non-alcoholic beverages, and there was only one bathroom for each sex.

Games started at 8:30, and the crowd was ready to watch. Team Nedd was the number one seed going in with only one loss during the regular season. Hot on their trails were Team Marlin, who owned first place until a loss to Nedd and Huber.

Faculty, who didn't look strong during the season, looked young and fresh. Of course they brought in some new people who said that they were the new grounds keepers, and janitors, well see though. When team leaders were asked about Gordon Bietz not playing, they said that they were alternating him between games, but after the first two games of limited playing time, he wasn't seen the rest of the night. Maybe they rubed tuition to get three new players, diecuss amongst your selves.

Team Brown started off strong, with emotional help from Alex Pulik, and Boyer Brown. Team Brown was sporting some new Atlanta jerseys that looked pretty impressive. But Team Brown got off to a rough start by losing to Team Nedd. After the discouraging start Brown was able to put a winning streak together only to lose to Merlin to put them out of the tournament.

Team Vincent was the Cinderella team they beat Team Marlin and got all the way to the final four only to meet Marlin again and lose. They played their hearts out, and were lead by Ricky Schwarz. Team Vincent's first game was probably the game of the tournaments, besides the championship. They were down 13-2 to Team Griffin, and came back to tie it and send it into extra innings, then ended up winning the game.

Team Richardson looked strong in their first game. Against Banuchi, but lost a tight game against Nedd in which some questionable calls were made. All in all the officiating was great. Team Richardson then went on to win their next game against Team Yankees to knock them out, and ended up losing to this team that I've never seen before. Team Faculty, the name sounds familiar, but the players were huge, and actually some what athletic.

The R.A. team was probably the luckiest team of the night. Every break that could happen... happened. If the ball could hit the base one of the teams who was hooker more fun, pled very well, and did a good job of holding their own. Michael Herr did a good job at the plate, advancing runners, and putting himself in scoring position. Dustin Hackleman was a speed demon around the bases, and was'n't too shabby at the plate.

It all came down to a tenth cup of coffee, and a rub down from a girl to keep the teams going. Finally it was team Martin beating Team Vincent for the right to play Team Nadd.

The championship game started and it was a battle between defenses. Kevin Johnson felt the first game was close, and that Team Nadd just couldn't seem to hit. He said that Team Martin got a few crucial hits that put the score at 3-2, and that would be the final of the first game. It was close and the game ended ground 9:45 a.m.

The second game started at around 3:56 a.m. and as Benjie Maxson was walking onto the field, his feet were dragging and it was obvious that fatigue was taking its toll.

The second game was just as close to begin with, and filling did pick up for both teams. Geoff Martin had line drives hit his glove and just fall out; Geoff was very tired, and couldn't close his glove fast enough. When the third inning started, the score was 5-0 Nadd, and from then on Team Martin seemed to just give up. Nadd took advantage and ended up winning the game. Of course, like I said earlier in the year, the best team never wins. Team Richardson was cheated out of another championship. Team Richardson is going to contact Gordon Bietz and talk to him about instant replay.

I know I don't talk nice about most people in the paper, but everyone that played did a great job, and had a good time (I hope), and Bob Benge did a great job of organizing the tournament. So if you are reading this just start clapping for Bob, don't worry others will do it too as soon as they read it.

Evelyn Hillman/Staff Photographer

Jaime Vincent brought her new friend Buzz Lightyear to all night softball.

Women's tourny

It was pretty obvious to see what two teams were going to meet in the championship.

Of course I was wrong, and it ended up being Barnett and the Bryces, and the game ended up being a ten run rule. Barnett did a good job of crushing the ball further than me, wow.

The games went well. Why wouldn't they though, the girls rarely get mad at each other, and it is all about fun. That's fantastic, but I want to see attitudes raging, and the spirit of a winner out here. Barnett had that, I saw determination in their eyes, and it paid off. Thanks for the fun though.

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Top 7 Plays of the week

by Morgan Koehenower
Sports Editor

7.Randy Moore's game winning home run to beat the R.A. team and to keep team Martin's championship hopes alive--until they lost in the championship.

6.A line drive ball hitting Benjie Maxson's glove pops up in the air, right into Scott Watson's hands, and the batter was out.

5.Michael Herr making a clutch hit in the bottom of the seventh against team Banuchi, to beat Banuchi.

4.Geoff Martin making a beautiful back handed catch, and throwing the batter out at first.

3.Two Chris', Lathom and Slef, making two outstanding catches to end potential scores.

2.Hickam hitting a three run homer in the deciding championship game.

1.And we come back to Benjie Maxson, up in the fifth inning and striking out, that means whiffing, not making contact with the ball, with a low pitch--this is soft ball, not fast pitch--did I forget to mention it was the championship game? Maybe his hose was too restricting.

South Florida women's hoops team working through racism accusations, lawsuit

By Robyn Dinney
The Times

TAMPA, Fla. (U-WIRE)- Five weeks before the start of the South Florida women's basketball season, coach Jerry Ann Winters is facing two lawsuits and two investigations regarding allegations of racial discrimination.

If the investigations from the Equal Opportunity Affairs office and former Judge Joseph Hatchett find evidence of wrongdoing, the university will take appropriate action, according to a statement from President Judy Genshaft.

University spokesman Barry Batson said the actions "range from a reprimand to a dismissal."

Former basketball players Diane Smith and Avia Lee have filed separate civil lawsuits claiming Winters discriminated against them because they are black and they were dismissed from the team because they complained about their treatment.

Former assistant coach Tara Gibson filed a discrimination complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and former secretary Lisa Walker sent a letter to the U.S. Department of Education supporting Smith's allegations of racial discrimination.

Despite what she is facing, Athletics Director Paul Griffin said Winters is still doing her job.

"She has made a commitment to do her job and so far nothing has stopped her from doing so," Griffin said. "That's very admirable. That's a good quality for a coach to have."

Griffin said there is no talk about Winters taking a leave of absence until the issues are resolved.

With practice to start in less than two weeks, Griffin said the team is handling the distractions well.

"We had a meeting with players on the first day of classes to give them an understanding of what will be in store this season," Griffin said. "I told them this is not going to be a one-day story and this could drag out all season."

In that meeting, the players were told they were allowed to talk to the media about the situation if so desired.

But the players have kept quiet about the situation, instead focusing on conditioning.

"I'm just looking forward to the start of the season," said sophomore guard Aiya Sheppard. "I don't want to get into the mix of it (the situation). I don't want people turning my words around."

Assistant coach Hal Ellison said the team's coaching staff is going through the normal preseason routine.

"The players are conditioning and the coaches are recruiting," Ellison said. "We are just working on putting the best team there this season."

Griffin said this situation can be a learning experience for the players.

"The one great at about this is this could be the best athletic experience for them," Griffin said. "They will have unique demands put on them this season. Every little thing they do will be put under a microscope. Every misstep will be evaluated. This could be the biggest thing they will have to face. I think that these 14 young women will respond to the adversity they will be facing."

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Number of female profs low in sciences

By Erika Rowell
Daily Illini

IAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-IRE) — When science idents at the University Illinois walk into a classom, they are more likely see a male professor ther than a female. For at ast the past 20 years, the ience fields have been agnant in the amount of omen who go on to pure research and teach in rge universities, accordg to Abigail Salyers, prossor of microbiology at e University of Illinois.

John Cronan, professor d head of the microbiolo- department, said the iversity makes an effort recruit female staff. Even , the male to female ratio his department is 10 to 1.

This holds true for scice departments across e campus. The microbiology department has 19 proessors listed on the faculty nk from their Web page. wo are women. The hysics department page sts 73 professors, includg only seven women The hemistry department has 2 professors and emeritus ofessors listed; four on is list are women

Women have been leavg research institutions to ursue work in industry nd at liberal arts colleges. he reason is that research ompletion requires a sigificant time commitment, nd women coming out of raduate schools are makg decisions as to whether ey want to have a family, ccording to the Chronicle f Higher Education.

"A growing number of emale scientists are turng their backs on the esearch institutions where ey trained, and are signg up for jobs at places here so-called 'serious' cientists, like their menors, would never set foot," he Chronicle stated.

However, this is only part f the reason behind the wer numbers of women.

Salyers, who has served s a chair on search comittees for the University, aid the number of women pplicants is significantly lower than male applicants.

"(The first time I served on a search committee) when I looked at the records and pulled out the 20 most promising applicants, there was only one female applicant in the top group. Out of all the applicants, the number of females is very low," Salyers said.

Salyers said the issue behind the low number of women applicants is childcare.

"The big scandal at the U of I is that the University has not managed to put forth an on-site childcare center. What this says to female applicants is that the U of I doesn't care about its faculty in this respect," Salyers said.

Even Parkland College provides child care for its faculty, but the University hasn't been able to measure up, Salyers said.

The decline of women entering the science field occurs around the post-doctorate stage of school.

Cronan said that among undergraduate students, the trend has been to have more females in the college. In graduate school, the male to female ratio is still about even.

The attitude of people in the research fields are becoming more relaxed, Salyers said.

"Both male and female students are rejecting the marine boot camp style of research where you are supposed to devote your life to your work," Salyers said.

There was a time when being female in the science world was extremely difficult. Salyers said that when she was in school she was told by the head of her department that she should stop at a Ph.D. or not consider having a family.

"The challenge now is communicating to graduates that the 'one or the other' approach is dying out and to persuade universities that adequate childcare programs are a necessity," Salyers said.

With more options available to women in the science fields, they don't have to go straight into research at a university anymore, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education.

"Large universities are not carefully examining their own cultures to see what might be going on that's making women say, 'Boy, I wouldn't want to do that.' At liberal arts institutions, women can actually win tenure, enjoy teaching, do research and start a family before needing amniocentesis," said Tricia Ferrett, an associate professor of chemistry at Carleton, as quoted in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Salyers said that women are choosing to work for pharmaceutical and chemical companies where childcare is provided.

"Even if they are working 40 hours a week there, they still have room to organize the rest of their time," Salyers said.

Even though the boot camp style of research may be dying out, females in the science fields who are interested in pursuing research still have to realize what they are getting themselves into.

Susannah French, a junior in ecology, ethology and evolution, wants to work in tropical ecology doing animal behavior and genetic studies and hopes to pursue research as a career

"Most of the girls in my classes are biology/premed and most of the professors are male. I have a Biology 122 professor who is a woman and she is one of the best teachers I have ever had," French said.

French understands the strains on family life a career in research can bring.

"This is a very hard field with a high number of divorces and family breakups. You have to decide if you want to be an exceptional scientist or happy with a family life," French said.

French said she ultimately wants to pursue research as a career, but said there has to be give and take on both sides of a marriage for a family life to work as well.

Acne: An Answer to the Curse

By Dr. Jeremy Sims

Acne is a common problem amongst young men. Over 90% of us chaps suffer from it at some stage, with 5-10% severely. So what is this bane of our lives, and how can we take care of it ourselves?

Essentially, acne is a skin condition which results from clogging and inflammation of the oil glands. The inflammation is caused by bacteria trapped in the glands and when our bodies fight back against these invaders we see those typical whiteheads and blackheads on the skin surface.

The common treatments for acne are based on benzoyl peroxide - a substance which can be used very effectively to manage existing spots and halt their further progress.

However, besides specific treatments, there are additional steps you should adopt to reduce flare-ups.

1. Wash your face at least twice a day. Use a mild unscented soap and preferably one that is medicated.

2. Change your washcloth regularly - damp cloths harbour bacteria.

3. Avoid sunburn.

4. Avoid extreme stress

5. Maintain regular exercise.

6. Avoid humid atmospheres - hot, steaming kitchens (?!)

7. Maintain healthy nutrition and reduce fatty foods. Increase fresh fruit and vegetables; and drink plenty of water to avoid skin drying.

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Nature's Cures for Monthly Cramps

By Dr. Jeremy Sims

Back in the early seventies, researchers discovered a substance, Prostaglandin F2 Alpha (PGF2 Alpha). On further investigation this was found to be released as the lining of the womb breaks down during the second half of the menstrual cycle, and it is PGF2 Alpha which causes the spasms experienced by over 60% of women as period cramps.

There is now growing evidence that we can at least partly reduce this release of PGF2 Alpha through simple dietary modification. Eating low-saturated fat, high complex carbohydrate diets can be highly beneficial. This means reducing dairy products, meat and eggs, and cutting out fried foods at the time of your period. However, ensure that you increase your intake of essential fatty acids at this time - the omega oils as they are more commonly known. These produce less PGF2 Alpha on breakdown by your metabolism and raise levels of specific hormones that act to prevent cramps. Fish oil capsules are a good source of omega oils, cod liver oil capsules for instance. Taken daily they may have considerable effect on the intensity and frequency of menstrual pains. Alternatively, evening primrose oil, another rich source of essential fatty acids, can have similar and equal effectiveness. In this case take two to three capsules twice a day during your period.

In addition to the above, there are a number of vitamin and mineral supplements which may protect against cramps or at least reduce their severity. At the time leading up to your period consider supplementing with vitamin B6 (100mg per day), vitamin E (50 iu three times per day) and magnesium (100 mg three to four times per day).

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Seasonal help for allergies

By Gay Frankenfield, RN
WebMD Medical News

Sept. 22, 2000 — As the days get shorter and the leaves begin to fall, millions of people stock up on over-the-counter remedies for hay fever. But nonprescription antihistamines and decongestants can have serious side effects, some of which you might not even notice while you're taking them. And many people don't respond to them at all. That's why doctors advise allergy sufferers to get tested, get treated, and get better.

Allergic rhinitis, as allergies are known, affects up to 30% of all Americans, but its incidence is increasing worldwide. The disease often lasts year-round, but has spring, summer, and fall variations caused by different airborne pollens or fungal spores. From mid-August through the first frost, ragweed is the major trigger for much of the country. West of the Rocky Mountains, thistle and sage are often to blame.

Unfortunately, it's a little more complicated than that. "Warm temperatures and a lot of rain can lengthen the pollen season, no matter where you live," says allergy and immunology specialist Richard Nicklas, MD, a clinical professor at George Washington University School of Medicine in Washington. "And throughout the year, outdoor molds can increase suddenly without any set pattern."

That's why it can be so hard to tell the difference between a cold and seasonal allergies, Nicklas tells WebMD. "Allergic rhinitis is often diagnosed when patients say they can't shake a cold, but the symptoms are quite a bit different," he says.

Here are some ways to tell the difference:

* Itching of the nose, ears, or mouth is a hallmark of allergies.
* Spasmodic or "machine gun" sneezing is common with allergies.
* Nasal secretions are thin and colorless with allergies, thick and opaque with a cold.
* Colds are often accompanied by a fever, sore throat, or cough.
* Colds are usually gone within 14 days.

Some people just tough their allergy symptoms out, and others rely on over-the-counter medications for relief. "The problem is that nonprescription antihistamines have a sedating effect, and two-thirds of those who take them aren't even aware that they're sedated," says allergy and immunology specialist William Berger, MD, a professor of medicine at the University of California, Irvine. "In fact, taking antihistamines can get you charged with driving under the influence in 37 states," he warns.

Berger, the author of Allergies and Asthma for Dummies, tells WebMD that over-the-counter decongestants also pose a risk. "Decongestants raise your blood pressure and heart rate, so they shouldn't be taken with other stimulants like diet pills," he says. "Nor should they be taken along with [the class of drugs called] MAO inhibitors, like Nardil and Parnate, which are often used to treat depression."

Berger advises allergy sufferers to talk with their doctors before taking nonprescription remedies, especially if they have high blood pressure, heart disease, asthma, or thyroid problems. He also offers some simple techniques for avoiding seasonal triggers:

* Stay inside early in the morning and late in the afternoon.
* Keep windows closed while at home or in the car.
* Take a shower as soon as you get home.

If these measures fail, you may want to seek medical treatment for seasonal allergies.

"For mild symptoms, your doctor can prescribe a new, nonsedating antihistamine," says Mark Dykewicz, MD, associate professor and director of the allergy and immunology training program at St. Louis University School of Medicine. "If symptoms are more severe, they can be managed with a nasal steroid spray like Flonase or Nasonex, along with an antihistamine/decongestant combination like Allegra-D or Claritin-D," he says

Dykewicz, who helped write a set of national rhinitis guidelines, tells WebMD that most patients have a combination of seasonal and year-round allergies. "In some parts of the country, pollen and mold last so long that the seasons overlap," he says. "Many people also have indoor triggers, such as dust mites, pet dander, and cockroaches, making seasonal symptoms even worse."

That's why allergy testing is so important, says allergy and immunology specialist William Dolan, MD, a professor of pediatrics and medicine at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. "If we know what the triggers are, we can get a much better handle on symptoms," he says "And contrary to popular belief, allergy testing isn't painful and doesn't require any injections. We just lift up a few cells, exposing the skin to a small amount of extract" of the substance suspected of triggering allergy symptoms.

For those who don't respond to drug therapy or can't tolerate it, doctors often recommend allergy shots. "Desensitization involves exposing a patient to increasing amounts of various triggers until they're symptom free," Dolan tells WebMD. "It's effective and covered by most health plans, but should start right after the pollen season ends to help get ready for next year."

Reviewed by Dr. Dominique S. Walton

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Top 10

Ways to tell you spend too much time in Hickman

10. You SWEAR you address has an "HSC" in it somewhere
9. You have ever tripled your amount of sleep by crashing on the Advanced Lab couch between classes
8. You can tell the time and date just from a passing glance at the map that displays "sunlight"
7. You have named the hologram in the Physics department
6. The couch fund has paid for more than 5 of your meals
5. You habitually end all typed lines with a semi-colon
4. If someone says "foo bar" you actually know what they mean
3. The Pizza Hut guys know where HSC 308 is
2. You have memorized not only the 3.14 of "pi" but also the next 200 decimal places
1. When playing Scrabble you threw out all the wooden letters and use a cut-up Periodic Table and instead of words, create chemical compounds.

Science jokes

Clem asks Abner, "Ain't statistics wonderful?"

"How so?" says Abner.

"Well, according to statistics, there's 42 million alligator eggs laid every year. Of those only about half get hatched. Of those that hatch, three-fourths of them get eaten by predators in the first 36 days. And of the rest, only 5 percent get to be a year old because of one thing or another. Ain't statistics wonderful?"

Abner asks, "What's so wonderful about statistics?"

"Why, if it wasn't for statistics, we'd be up to our ears in baby alligators!"

Statement: pi * r^2
Reaction: Pie are not square. Pie are round. Cornbread are square.

EDITORIALS

Citizenship Probation Epidemic in Thatcher South

Jennifer is on citizenship probation. So is her roommate. And so are 56 other residents of Thatcher South, according to Amanda Boggess, dean's assistant.

It seems that there is a great deal of confusion regarding dorm worships for the ladies. While the citizenship probation notices stated that the number of worships required were posted, and updates of each student's progress were given, Jennifer has another perspective

"They sent us only two worship attendance notices, and they were both wrong, and they told us to disregard them. At the beginning of the year I went to three [worships], and they only counted one. It's hard to get a hold of anybody when you need help. There's no redemption," she said.

The last worship attendance notice that was sent was correct, except that a note at the bottom said one credit would be added to the number listed, Boggess said.

"If you come and talk to the deans, they will help," she said.

It is apparent that there is a communication and organizational problem with worships in Thatcher South. Something must be done to avoid placing innocent women on citizenship probation.

In Talge, worship cards of different colors are given out at every worship and vespers. The cards are kept on file for the rest of the semester, said Dennis Negron, associate mens' dean.

This would be a good solution to Thatcher South's problem. Under the current system, the women's cards are returned to them within a few days. Women who claim they have attended more worships than are entered on the computer have no way of proving they were present on any given date. Keeping cards on file would be a concrete way of tracking worship attendance.

Thatcher South houses older students. Juniors and seniors often have a heavier work and study load than younger students in Thatcher and Talge. It would be appropriate if the older students were required to attend fewer evening worships, as is true for students 23 and older.

Another helpful change would be a worship meeting in the White Oak Room on the fourth floor of Thatcher South. This would offer more convenience for the older women, who currently have to walk to Thatcher to attend worships

Food service times need to be lengthened

The cafeteria is more crowded than ever. Students wait in lines from the moment the doors open until they close.

Besides the long lines, nothing is open on campus between 4:00 and 5:00 in the afternoon. And, on the week ends, the cafeteria closes at 5:30 p.m., leaving those with no cars without dinner.

There ae several solutions that could be sought to help remedy this problem.

First, the cafeteria could be kept open longer. If nothing else, the sandwich bar could be open all day. This would allow students who have busy schedules to eat without fearing long waits in lines

Second, the Campus Kitchen could be opened in the evenings It is crowded during the day, so it seems that it would be just as crowded in the evenings

Last year, when the CK was open for dinner because the cafeteria was reserved, the line ran out the door!

Several faculty members have said that back in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the CK closed in the afternoons and then reopened in the evening. Students could stop in for dinner or grab a shake after intramurals games.

These are simple solutions that could eleviate a major problem on campus. Initiative needs to be shown on the part of the students to apply to work in the cafeteria and on the part of the staff by experimenting by leaving the cafeteria and Campus Kitchen open longer

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Letters to the Editor

Editor Not to Blame for Joker Complications

To the editor–

I am writing to clear up a few points of possible confusion surrounding the *Joker's* release Although I can understand the *Accent's* interest in our problems, I felt some clarification is in order.

The *Joker* staff gave the College Press the publication's cover about a month before its planned release The Press also was supplied with enough material to begin printing on the agreed upon deadline of September 11. The remainder of the Joker was submitted before week's end During that same week, we discovered the Press had misinformed our *Joker* staff on how to prepare the publication for printing After they provided us with the proper computer files on the following Monday, we resubmitted the *Joker* within two hours. The Press prepared proofs, and we found a couple of errors that were our fault and had them redone. This took time, but the Press had enough correct proofs to proceed with printing. After an initial run of 2500 copies, it soon became apparent that there was a serious error (photos were simply too dark). The Press and I were able to track down the error in the printing process In order to meet the *Joker's* release, we chose the best of what had been printed (about 520) and gave them out at the party. That same weekend, the Press reprinted the *Joker* on a better machine However, technicians failed to correct the original negatives' resolution for optimum results The result was a slightly less then perfect *Joker*.

I just wanted to clarify that I have done everything possible to release a quality Joker on time. I want to thank students and faculty for being patient. Currently the press is binding the *Jokers*, and we are getting them to students as soon they come in.

Mandy Shearer
Joker Editor

Students Need to Work on Concert Etiquette

Dear Editor,

I am a student here at Southern and I feel the need to express my disgust with the behavior exhibited at the orchestra concert last Sunday evening Now I realize that there were hundreds of academy students in attendance, but I didn't see or hear much difference after they left. There was so much talking going on that it was difficult to hear the soft passages! I had non-Adventist friends in attendance and they were horribly embarrassed to be sitting next to a couple who had the church confused with a hotel room. What kind of witnessing are we doing on this campus if we act so uncultured and inconsiderate?

The most disturbing thing to me was an incident between a student here and one of the orchestra members. There was a girl standing in the aisle talking during the first number. A member of the orchestra approached her and asked her to please take a seat or go stand in the foyer if she needed to talk. She quickly said that she couldn't find a seat and that he should not be so cude. The orchestra member, unwilling to make a scene, left the sanctuary and stood in the foyer to listen. The young lady appeared at his side during the second piece and thrust a note into his hand. The note reprimanded him for being rude and said "what kind of witness would this be if I were a non-Adventist."

First, wouldn't the Christian thing to do be to be courteous to the performers by not talking through a performance? Secondly, it would have been more polite on her part to just let it go if she was in the right. Lastly, she made the mistake of assuming he was an Adventist. This young man had thus far been very impressed with the Christian atmosphere of this school. The lack of etiquette, courtesy, and tact he saw at this concert just showed him that we are no better than any public university. In fact, at least at public schools, people come to concerts to enjoy good mus[ic] and become educated. A[t] our concerts, it seems mos[t] of the attendees are the[re] just for convocation cred[it]. It is sad that such a wonde[r]ful resource for witnessin[g] is overlooked as just anothe[r] credit.

For those who are inte[r]ested in a small concert co[n]duct lesson, here are a co[u]ple tips

1) Please don't cla[p] between movements, b[ut] only at the end of the enti[re] piece.

2) Please don't talk whil[e] the artists are performing

3) Please leave only du[r]ing breaks in the music, n[ot] in the middle of a son[g] (unless it is an emergency)

4) Please leave ce[ll] phones, pagers, beepin[g] watches, etc. at home- or [at] least turn them off.

5) Enjoy the music. It [is] such a wonderful gift.

Sara Schone
Junior music major

Do you have an issue you feel strongly about? Would you like to share your opinion with your student body? If so, please send in your letters to the editor or write an editorial. Submissions may be sent to: P.O. Box 370 Collegedale, Tenn. 37315 or email accent@southern.edu.

Corrections

In the September 28 issue of the *Accent*, the entire story of the Joker release was not told. The story that ran implied that Joker editor Mandy Shearer was at fault, but in fact it was an error at the College Press.

In the September 28 issue of the *Accent*, the editoral entitled "Forced church and vespers" had an error in the lead. While vespers is forced, students are not forced to go to church. They are just told to be out of the dormitories by 10 a.m. on Sobbath.

The Accent regrets these errors.

Joker Editor to be Commended

To the Editor, Southern Accent:

Please let me add a few points regarding last week's about the Joker.

Continuous improvement in production technology and design over the last few years has presented challenges in meeting early delivery dates. Even so, almost everyone who attended the release parties during this time received their Joker The remainder of the Jokers were available a few days later

This is essentially what happened this year. Full credit must go to Mandy Shearer, this year's Joker editor. She did receive assistance from the SA by its purchase of an additional Macintosh computer system. But more important were her effective efforts to avoid any of the problems of previous years. The production errors were not her responsibility.

I do appreciate the work of the College Press to provide enough Jokers for the release party as well as expediting the delivery of th[e] remainder. By the time th[is] is published all studen[ts] should be able to have the[ir] own Jokers.

The most important po[int] to note is the manner [in] which editor Shear[er] addressed the unexpect[ed] difficulties in order to p[ro]vide each of us with a qua[lity] Joker as quickly as possib[le]. We should all be apprec[ia]tive of her work.

Bill Wohlers
Vice President for S[tu]dent Services

he choice to vote

s many of you (hopeful- know, the United States be enjoying one of its test democratic privi- s this November . . . that freely electing from a rse field of political can- tes the forty-third Presi- of the United States.

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Wrong.

t a later date, you will be jected to a list of facts of you need to vote. At a date, you will be sub- d to a discussion of the meaning of voting. In rt, you will be subjected uch a ranting monologue week before the Novem- elections.

But that will be for a com- ely different column.

For now, consider the ortance of the step you d to take before you can

Before you can vote in the vember elections, you have to register to vote. Some of you may have already arranged to get absentee voting ballots from your home states. For the rest of you who have not made such arrangements, a voter registration drive will be held here on campus this coming week. The SAU Young Republicans and the SAU Democratic Club will be conducting the voter registration drive in the cafeteria this Thursday (10-05-2000) at lunch, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., and again at supper, from 5:00 p.m to 6:00 p.m.

Dave Leonard

Even though you may be from another state, federal law allows you to vote in the state where you're attending college. Therefore, you have no excuse whatsoever.

You may not care to vote, you may not be informed enough to vote, you may not think your vote will make a difference, you may not like the candidates nor the electoral system enough to vote. However, by registering to vote, you at least give yourself the option if you change your mind.

Besides, there are millions of people around the world that do not have the chance to register to vote, much less the right to vote itself. Ballot stuffing is common in such tyrannical/strongman countries as Iraq, Zimbabwe, or Serbia. Multi-candidate voting is banned in such Communist-ruled sovereign states as Cuba, North Korea, or China. And any kind of voting is banned in such military dictatorships as Burma, the Sudan, or Pakistan.

At least here in the United States, you are allowed to vote from different candidates, whether you choose an extremist like tree-hugging Ralph Nader or Bible-thumping Pat Buchanan. Fortunately, there are some normal candidates in between.

Though your vote may seem like a drop in the bucket in the national elections, it can make a difference in state elections, and even more importantly, local (i.e. county/city) elections.

Finally, this is not a column about voting. This is a column about taking the steps to ensure that you have the choice to vote. Hopefully each and every one of you will allow yourself that choice. After all, there is an election in November.

Dave is a senior mass communications major from North Carolina.

What God expects

Yeah, yeah, yeah-it's Sabbath.

Woo-hoo.

Church. YAWN.

It seems to confuse older Adventists that we "young people" have a hard time getting interested in church.

Not everyone is that way, I know–I'm making a general statement. This means don't stop reading now and say to yourself, "Harmony thinks that no one her age is interested in church. Boy, is she a jerk!"

I just mean that oftentimes we have a hard time relating to the older Adventist generation. Sometimes loving God is made too complicated.

Like, what's really wrong with going to movies? Or wearing jewelry? Or eating a good turkey sandwich every once in awhile?

For me, nothing. For some people, it would mean that they were on a path straight to hell.

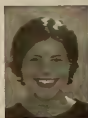
By now, we should know right from wrong We're in college. We are capable of making sensible life choices. And if our life choices are divergent from the norm, it doesn't mean that we aren't good Adventists.

I think that people my age get discouraged. They feel like they will never be good enough. And they probably don't want to be good enough, because that would most likely mean knitting quietly by the stove in the evening hours, listening to the King's Heralds.

It would mean learning how to make cashew nut loaf and cashew cheese and generally just learning to love cashews.

It would mean attending prayer meeting every Wednesday night and going to Campmeeting every year to stock up on links

Nothing is wrong with



Harmony Tillerson

these things But I think that every person has his or her own way of loving God, and everyone is at a different stage in life.

Some people are at the Cashew Nut Loaf Stage. Some people are at the Pepperoni Pizza Stage. And some people only eat fruit.

In essence, humans have no business judging other humans. Adventists, and probably all Christians in general, get too caught up in how they think a child of God should act.

I don't buy it.

Not that we all need to strip down to nothing and tear through Collegedale screaming obscenities, but I feel like we need to be realistic.

God wants us to live life. And He wants us to be good at it.

Believe it or not, God wants us to do things that we enjoy. I don't think that there is a set of rules somewhere that says "Thou shalt not swim on Sabbath," or "Thou shalt not listen to music that has a beat."

Nope-not even in that big vault at the General Conference where they keep all the Ellen G. White relics.

The closer we get to God, the more in tune we are with what He expects from us.

It's that simple.

When we change, it's because that still, quiet voice moves us.

Every person has his or her own interpretation of who God is and what He's like.

I think that God is Laughter. I think He is Peace. Love. Grace.

I think that God is Acceptance. Which tells me that He will accept me as I am, where I am, all the time, with no exceptions

Even if I'm wearing earrings

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

Voter Registration Information

VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE:

Sponsored by the SAU Young Republicans and the SAU Democratic Club

In the cafeteria...from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm and from 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

On the promonade...from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm and from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.

Who can register...all SAU dorm students and Collegedale residents.

Time taken to register...two to three minutes, max.

Degree of difficulty to register...none.

Reinvesting in America's future: the Gore/Leiberman budget surplus plan

The budget surplus is one of this year's election's hot topics. But, you may be asking yourself, "So what? What is this whole budget surplus thing anyway?" Basically this is what happens: the United States government has to propose and approve a budget just like a business would. According to the figures, as interpreted by accountants and economists, we will have some money "left over" after the government covers all of its costs. The controversy arises out of what the two candidates propose to spend the "extra" money on. Here, I'd like to tell you about what Vice-President Al Gore would like to do.

First of all, Mr. Gore is committed to reducing and eventually eliminating our national debt. "What difference does that make to our country's efficiency?" my roommate asks me. Well, a lot of difference. First of all, by reducing the deficit in our country's budget, we protect against recession. This means that our economy will continue to grow, and that there will be jobs out there for you and me after graduation. It also guards against high inflation and increasing interest rates, which means that your dollar is "worth more." Which, in turn, translates into greater fiscal freedom, so that all of our recently graduated newlyweds will find buying that dream home a little easier.

But, paying down

Roger Prather

the national debt isn't all Al Gore wants to do. There is also a $95 billion Medicare Surplus projected, which Al Gore plans to keep the government's hands off of. Why? So that when you and I are 65, retired and wearing green plaid pants, we can go to the doctor for our Via...uh, I mean, our arthritis medication. This isn't all, though.

Al Gore is concerned about reducing the tax burden of ALL Americans by using financially responsible methods. The Bush plan calls for a large tax break for the upper strata of the tax bracket, funded by, you guessed it, our budget surplus. Yeah, I said OUR surplus. That's what makes Gore's plan effective. This surplus is seen by the Gore/Leiberman campaign as the people's money, not the government's to dole out to high-rolling lobbyists.

The basic tenet of the Gore plan for OUR surplus is to invest it. Invest it in the American people, with programs and efforts that benefit everyone (including 20-something students). So, with that in mind, remember that everyone, i.e. you, yes, you, needs to vote in November. Let your opinion be known. Express how you want YOUR money to be spent. Gore's plan re-invests that money into us, and into our future.

Roger is a junior English major from Florida.

What is really the issue?

Have you ever known yone that you think is just in opinionated? Well, if u know me you could swer yes to that question. It is one of the reasons decided to write for the per this year. It gives me mission to be oppinionat- and no one can complain out it! What I'm getting at hat if you ever want me to mment on something in ticular, just call me up d let me know. There is no se in writing if no one is ing to read what is print- That would be a waste of time and Cady's space!

This week I am going to k to you about movies. I s raised in a home that st would consider strict, hough I consider it "con- rvative." Those that say it s strict are those that re most likely raised in an sy-going or "liberal" fami-

Not being permitted to e movies in the theater, or home for that matter, was e of the things that made r family conservative. hen I reached my teen ars I saw a few movies th my friends. My parents us watch family movies e *The Shaggy DA*, *The e Bug*, *The Swiss Family binson* and *Get Smart* ows. When I got older I uld try to bring home the ecent" PG-13 movies. The ur of us–my mom, my dad d my brother Josh and I– uld sit down on a Sonday ght and try to watch the- one. We would not make it rough 10 minutes of the ovie before my father uld start going umppp, ummp! What did e say"? Dad was the big e to notice every single ear word. My mom would y "Are they married, or e they living together?" e noticed every unhealthy lationship. It was oooooo annoying to try watch movies with them, basically because we could never finish the movie!

Finally, my brother and I began just taking off on our own and sneaking a movie at the theater. For years that's how it was, until I reached the point that it was obvious it was totally up to me what I did on my own.

Now after being in college for a few years I am starting to question the movie thing myself. (I always knew this inside, but just pushed it away so I could have fun). Thinking back on all the movies I have seen, I feel sick.

Most movies are filled with endless new versions of immoral stories. Some of you are about to skip to a different article.

Amber Risinger

That is up to you, but if you too don't realize the truth about what I've just said, then you are simply in denial. Either that or you've become immune.

What I mean is that in each movie I think it is safe to say that there is someone living a lifestyle contrary to how you believe is the best way to live. Why is it that we fill our minds with lots of "exciting," but "disgusting" stories that we would NEVER agree to live ourselves? How many of you think that having an affair is okay? Hey, if the two people are truly in love, then is it okay with you?

I think that if the characters had any kind of true love in their hearts they would not have let their minds (and eyes!) wonder past their husband or wife! Aside from breaking their spouse's heart, they are participating in tearing apart the children's lives too.

No, not every movie is about people having affairs. How about people messing around before they are married? Do we Christians agree that it is acceptable to live like this before we are married? How about if we aren't "exactly" having sex, just having a little bit of fun? Is that okay? I don't think so.

We've all lived long enough to know by now that that lifestyle simply leaves people feeling used and guilty.

No, not every movie is about sex (though most are). What about violence?

A few years ago I walked into my classroom (I was in high school at this time) and the teacher for some reason was not there. My classmates had put on a movie. I don't remember which one it was. It was very popular at the time, though. The first part of the movie was a little girl about the age of fourteen years old being raped. It was a long, drawn-out scene. I did not stay for the whole thing. I sat in the hall, devastated. I couldn't understand how everyone in there (my own friends) could watch such a horrible thing and enjoy themselves! One of my dearest friends was raped when she was very young.

Pain, that is what I see in the movies out there today. Stories of people that have problems and try to find solutions on their own. That is the world we live in. A world that needs to know the answer to all of their questions. The answer is Jesus. That's what the song means when it ways "Jesus is the answer for the world today, above Him there's no other, Jesus is the way". I wish so badly that all the things we sing about we really believed in our hearts. We'd be much happier people who spent their time more wisely.

Most of the movies shown today fill our minds with horrible stories which we call "fun entertainment." While we are at the movies filling our minds with Satan's pleasures, the Lord waits patiently but sadly for us to visit with Him

What I am saying in the article is not that you are awful people if you go watch a movie. I am simply saying, lets get our priorities straight. If we do choose to see a movie, look into it, find out if it is really worth your two hours.

Now, after all of this time, I see what my parents were worrying about. They didn't want life's sickness to be called a pleasure.

You know the rest of this sermon from here. I pray that we will fill our minds with things that are going to make us more prepared for Jesus return.

Let me leave you with these verses.

Matthew 5:8 "Blessed are the pure in heart for they will see God."

Philippians 4:8-9

"Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about these things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me-put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

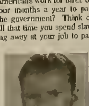
Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia.

What should we do with the surplus?

What should we do with the surplus? That seems to be the question everyone is asking these days. It seems like a no-brainer to me. If the government has taken too much of our money, then they should obviously give it back in tax cuts

We supposedly pay what is needed to run our country. If our government has taken too much, why shouldn't they have to give it back? Liberals think that they should spend it on more programs like social security and Medicare. These programs don't need more money–they need a complete overhaul. What good is a few billion dollars going to do for a program that is badly in need of a makeover?

It's like trying to bail a sinking ship out with a cup instead of fixing the leak. We don't need to pour all of our extra surplus back into the bureaucracy and keep bailing out the system. We need to change the system, but that is another article entirely. Did you know that Americans work for three or four months a year to pay the government? Think of all that time you spend slaving away at your job to pay



Rob York

for our government.

Now I am not saying that we don't need government. However, if my money has to go to them, I want it used for reform, not to pour into and out of programs and do little or no good.

Back in the dark ages, servants had to give their masters one third of what they earned, and we consider them slaves. By our own standards we are slaves to the government. Back in the1970's, when Mohammed Ali was in his prime, he paid over 90 percent of his winnings in taxes.

We need to send a message to the government that we want our money back. We don't want to return to the days of 90 percent taxes.

Tax cuts are the best solution for our surplus. Under George W Bush's plan, everyone would get a tax cut. A single mom making $22,000 would get a 100% reduction in taxes. The cuts affect everyone, including a couple making $100,000, would get a 13% reduction

Tax cuts are the best solution for the surplus. In fact, they are the only logical solution.

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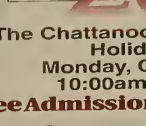

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10 Signs that Southern is in financial difficulty

By Jonnice Towsley

10. Workers is seen buying lottery tickets with an official Southern check.
9. Ken Rogers has to work as the ice cream man on his days off.
8. We-Haul starts charging.
7. There's a "For Rent" sign by the doll house.
6. Teachers begin accepting monetary bribes starting at $10 instead of the steep price of $35 per "A."
5. Gordon Bietz starts wearing suits from the Samaritan Center.
4. Campus Safety has to give students tickets instead of making the track sale at night because it's more cost effective.
3. The chaplain's office sign reads, "Indulgences $10–good through October 31st. Save your soul before it's lost!"
2. University Drive is made a toll road.
1. While giving plasma you look over and there's Gordon, his wife, their twin daughters and their husbands . . . even the dog . . . it's "rough."

The battle of the sexes

Dressing Up: A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, get mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals (and sometimes vespers).

Laundry: Women do laundry every couple of days. A man will wear every article of clothing he owns, including his surgical pants that were hip about eight years ago, before he will do his laundry. When he is finally out of clothes, he will wear a dirty sweatshirt inside out, rent a U-Haul and take his mountains of clothes to the Laundromat. Men always expect to meet beautiful women at the Laundromat. This is a myth perpetuated by reruns of old American sitcoms.

Mirrors: Men are vain, they will always check themselves in the mirror. Women are ridiculous, they will check out their reflections in any shiny surface: mirrors, spoons, store windows.

Toys: Little girls love to play with toys. Then, when they reach the age of 11 or 12, they loose interest. Men never grow out of their obsession with toys. As they get older, their toys simply become more expensive and silly and unpractical. Examples of men's toys: Anything that blinks, beeps, and requires at least six 'D' batteries to operate.

Time: When a women says she'll be ready in five more minutes, she's using the same meaning of time as when a man says the football game has just five minutes left. Neither of them is counting time outs, commercials or replays.

Friends: Women on a girl's night out talk the whole time. Men on a boy's night out say about twenty words all night most of which are "Pass the Doritos!" or "Got any more Coke"?

Restrooms: Men use restrooms for purely biological reasons. Women use restrooms as social lounges. Men in a restroom will never speak a word to each other. Women who've never met will leave a restroom giggling together like old friends. As never in the history of the world has a man excused himself from the table by saying "Hey tom, I was just about to go to the little boy's room. Do you want to join me?"

Maturity: Women mature much faster than men. Most 17-year old females can function as adults. Most 17-year old males are still trading baseball cards and giving each other wedgies after gym class. This is why high school romances rarely work out.

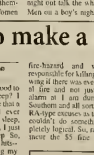
Time to make a few changes

By Steve Baughman
Staff Writer

Are you ever in the mood to do anything except sleep? I know, it's hard to believe that a college student could ever fathom not wanting to sleep, but every now and then, I just get the urge to not sleep. So, whenever this feeling hits—and since actually doing my homework for once is completely out of the question—I oftentimes have to come up with something to entertain myself.

Just the other day for example, Francis and I decided that since it was 2 am, we should probably rearrange our furniture. A couple of weeks ago, we made a couple of swell purchases from the Samaritan Center but hadn't really decided on a room layout that we both liked. For instance, I kept telling him that we should move his bed out into the hall so that we could have room for a nice, comfy couch of course. Being the selfish person that he is, he refused. So we compromised, we decided to move our roommates' beds into the hall and our beds into their room—allowing for ample space for our new couch and chair.

Well, believe it or not, our RA started giving us all kinds of "reasons" like how it was a fire-hazard and we'd be responsible for killing all of Cowan if there was ever an outbreak of fire and not just a false alarm as I am doing View Southern and all sorts of other RA-type excuses as to why we couldn't do something completely logical. So, rather than incur the $5 fine we were going to get if we didn't oblige, we had to move everything back into our own room. Seeing as how our dorm room has about 5 square feet of floor space, we had to devise a series of tight ropes and pulley systems to be able to maneuver from one side of our room to the other.



Finally, fed up with always having to pole vault over a couch to get into bed, Francis and I decided that it was time to rearrange, again. After several failed attempts, we finally decided that we would have to strip the new wooden couch out of our room to make way for all of our fine home furnishings. Evidently startled by the sounds of chainsaws and other power tools, the RA once again came and banged yet another perfectly logical plan.

Since all of our brilliant ideas were being shot down like me asking for a very late date, we decided that maybe we should just throw the couch out the window instead of being the logical decision—considering the fact that we live on the third floor and it would be a very cold day in a very mally hot place before we carry this beastly couch out the way dormitory agreed. Unfortunately our plans were thwarted when we realized that our jak-sized window wouldn't be big enough to push our couch through, and rather than getting sledge hammers and doing a little cosmetic renovating, we were forced to settle up with a different idea.

So now, after countless hours of drawing up schematics, schematics, and blue prints of life, we are now the only people in Tulge hall with our own shower/lounge area. Can't wait to hear what our RA has to say about this one.

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[J]erusalem — Under [inte]rnational pressure, [Isra]eli Prime Minister Ehud [Bar]ak on Tuesday gave his [Pal]estinian counterpart [mor]e time to quell raging [viol]ence that has killed 88 [peo]ple over 12 days. The [leve]l of fighting in the [regi]on Tuesday represented [a co]nsiderable de-escalation [i]n the furious street bat[tles] that flared all over the [Wes]t Bank and Gaza Strip [last] week, but there were [...] incidents. Barak's [cha]nge in position, includ[ing] a willingness to attend a [...]-sponsored peace sum[mit i]f one is arranged, came [afte]r two phone calls from [Pres]ident Clinton, Israel's [arm]y radio reported. The [Isra]eli leader said he made [the] decision after weighing [the] possibility of a pro[long]ed armed conflict. A [Pale]stinian uprising against [Isra]el in 1987 lasted six [year]s and ended with the [...] historic peace accord [in 19]93 with the PLO.

[SR]I LANKA — Sirimavo [Ban]daranaike, the world's [first] female prime minister, [died] of a heart attack Tues[day.] Bandaranaike retired [from] the Sri Lankan prime [mini]ster post at the age of [84 l]ast month. She became [the] first woman elected to [lea]d any nation in 1960, [...] years after her husband [had] been assassinated while [hold]ing that position.

YUGOSLAVIA — [Fre]nch Foreign Minister [Hub]ert Vedrine arrived in [Belg]rade Tuesday to under[scor]e Western support for [new] Yugoslav President [Vojis]lav Kostunica. Vedrine [pled]ged $2 billion in aid to [help] rebuild the country. [Mea]nwhile, a Kostunica ally [sign]aled the new leader[ship']s interest in restoring [ties] with the United States. [...] opposition had [war]ned the West during [last] month's election cam[paig]n because of public hos[tility] over last year's NATO [bom]bing campaign.

[N]ASHVILLE, Tenn. — [M]asaoshi Ono, the chief [exec]utive and chairman of [Brid]gestone/Firestone, is [expe]cted to announce his [reti]rement today, with com[pany] officials naming John [Lam]pe, an executive vice [pres]ident, as his successor [...]s retirement, effective [imm]ediately, will be [anno]unced at an afternoon [...] conference in [Nash]ville, a company [sour]ce who spoke on condi[tion] of anonymity said. A [Fire]stone spokeswoman [woul]d not confirm or deny [Ono']s retirement.

[K]ATMANDU, Nepal — [Last] weekend, Davo Kar[nicar], 38, of Slovenia skied [from] top down 29,000-foot [Mou]nt Everest.

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[Coll]egedale — Thursday will be partly sunny with a high of 77 and a low of 60.

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Many compete inTriathalon

By Evelyn Hillmon
Staff Writer

A hundred and thirty-nine people participated in the 17th Annual Cohutta Springs triathalon that took place Sunday, according to the Southern Adventist University Web site.

"I was hoping that by the end of the preregistration (September 29) about 70 would be registered," said Bob Benge, physical education teacher. Of the 150 people that registered about 115 showed up for the event. More people signed up Sunday before the race, Benge said.

There were 139 competitors, 96 individual participants and 43 relay team participants, according to the Web site. The participants swam 1/2 a mile in 68-degree water, then biked 18 miles with a strong head wind and finally ran four miles.

Jeff Gibson, 27, was the overall winner with a time of 1:32:15. Cecelia Wigal, 37, was the overall first place for the women with a time of 1:45:12. The first place in the male relay division went to Doug Beardsley, Richard Halterman and Brian Dunne with a time of 1:24:34. First place for the female relay went to Vanessa Conrad, Mollee Dissell and Clara Hagens with a time of 2:08:20. The first place for the co-ed relay went to Erin Englebereecht, Andy Flemming and Kate Parsons with a time of 1:34:05. For a more complete listing of the times, see http://intramural.southern.edu.

Melissa Wysong, a senior international studies major, competed last Sunday. "I like to push myself to see how much I can do," Wysong said. The biking was the hardest part of the race. "It is hard to keep yourself mentally in it" she said. Wysong finished third in her age category, in spite of her flat tire, with a time of 2.41:31.

"It was hard and I'm tired," said Stephen Lundquist, a sophomore theology major. Lundquist finished in 1:59:26.

Jonathan Fetrick, a sophomore theology major, said the hardest part for him was the swim. "When I was doing the backstroke it was negative," he said. Fetrick finished with a time of 2:10:43.

"Mrs. Beardsely is the real hero of the triathalon," said Carol Davidson, sophomore music education major. Davidson was one of many that volunteered at the triathalon.

Donnalene Beardsely has helped organized the triathalon for the past two years. She does fund raising, t-shirts, awards, food and the running part of the race. Beardsely's two children, Doug, a junior computer science major, and Stacey, Collegedale Academy senior, both swam on relay teams this year.

Phil Garver also helped

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Threats to our quest for sleep

By Danial Olson
Senior Staff Writer

David Leonard tosses and turns in his dorm room bed, oblivious to his loud snoring. It is after 2 a.m. and Leonard has fallen asleep. Leonard's roommate, Jeff, sleeps peacefully because of the earplugs he dons at night. But Leonard cannot sleep for an extended period without mechanical assistance because his air passage is blocked.

The tissue in his throat closes and Leonard has unknowingly stopped breathing. His body needs to breathe.

The seconds pass.

His body wakes up.

While many college students face the struggle of obtaining enough sleep, Leonard, a senior mass communication major at Southern, encounters another obstacle – he has the sleeping disorder known as sleep apnea.

"The body is in a continual dozing stage," said Leonard, explaining his interrupted sleep pattern. He said that his body would wake up often during the night, and when he would completely awake in the morning, he felt like he had barely slept.

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Dave Leonard, senior mass communications major, wears his Continuous Positive Airway Passage (CPAC) ventilator while taking a nap. Leonard must wear the CPAC whenever he sleeps in order to breath.

The word "apnea" means "a temporary absence of breathing." Sleep apnea can cause one to repeatedly stop breathing while sleeping, for periods of a minute or more. More than 12 million Americans suffer from sleep apnea, according to the National Institutes of Health.

Leonard suffered heavily from sleep apnea during 1997-99.

"I felt something was wrong but not enough to have it checked out," Leonard said. "I always felt fatigued, I had no motivation and I slept in class." However, Leonard attributed his fatigue to a lack of sleep.

But an averted disaster in May 1999 incited Leonard to take action.

He was visiting in North Carolina, driving with two friends. Leonard had slept about 12 hours the previous night, but it had not been enough.

"I was telling a joke while driving," Leonard said, "and I just went to sleep."

Leonard dozed off, ran a stop sign at 50 mph and barely missed a semitrailer. The screaming passengers awoke Leonard, and the incident awakened Leonard to the seriousness of his condition.

He visited the West Carolina Sleep Medicine Center in Skyland, N.C., where he underwent a sleep study to determine his sleeping habits. A videotape of Leonard sleeping showed a continual state of motion. The doctor diagnosed Leonard with sleep apnea.

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Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Darin Bissell, senior music performance major, is approached about becoming a church planter in the Georgia-Cumberland Conference with Total Employment. Total Employment is a new program offered by Adventist Layperson's Services and Industries (ASI). ASI representatives were in the student center Monday and Tuesday, talking to students and recruiting seniors.

SA bikes face challenges

By Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

The new campus bikes are doing well in their first few weeks of usage around Southern's campus, said Paul Myers, Student Association Executive Vice President.

The 21 blue bikes were introduced to the students a few weeks ago at convocation and can be seen throughout campus. They became part of the Student Association after the suggestion for campus bikes came from a student who saw how much a similar program at Walla Walla College was being used.

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Scott Parker, junior public relations major, rides one of the Student Association bikes on the promenade.

For those that have classes at both ends of campus the bikes can be a major time saver. Students running late to class may find themselves riding rather than walking.

Luke Waggoner, senior psychology major, said that he finds the seats very comfortable and enjoys the occasional ride when a bike is available.

However, a new problem has been voiced regarding the bikes.

"I have classes back-to-back in Hickman and Brock and a bike could be helpful," said Alan Valdivia, freshman computer science major. "My only problem now is whenever I need a bike they're all busy."

Valdivia is not the only one that has searched for a bike without finding the blue steed waiting.

Many students are complaining that instead of making life easier and welcoming the occasional ride to class, they are expecting that a bike will be outside the dorm or building but find nothing.

"While it is kinda handy to have a bike around the let-down can be very negative," said Joel Mundall, junior biology major.

Abuse is another issue facing the new bikes.

Some riders have been seen riding the bikes down stairs and off curbs around campus, a problem that was specifically brought up at the bikes' introduction.

"Do not abuse the bikes. They're not indestructable," Myers said.

After many of the bikes broke down due to abuse, Myers was faced with finding someone to maintain them.

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Students live history

By Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

Students relived history last weekend when the Civil War Living History class visited Andersonville Georgia as part of a lab that immerses them into roles as men and women of the time period.

The group included nine men and four women participating in the class under the direction of Captain Craig Hadley, a Southern Adventist University professor who teaches history from the perspective of a common soldier during the Civil War period.

These outings are part of the lab section of the Civil War Living History class and students gain perspective as to how the men and women of the period lived through actually experiencing the same lifestyle of the women and soldiers.

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Members of the Crocker Company, part of the Civil War Living History class, perform drills for students during View Southern.

"It is the only history class of its kind in the country," said Hadley.

"We are often taught the great battles and politics of the war, but rarely do we get to glimpse into the lives of the 6 million plus men and women that actively fought the war, and what their reasons were."

Their latest trip included visiting the Andersonville National Park, spending the night camped on the grounds of the reenactment site, touring the museum, and spending one night in the stockade of the prison which was used for Federal prisoners.

Kevin "Chopper" Hansen, a sophomore nursing major was one of the men who experienced [illegible] prisoner in the [illegible] condition.

"I was on the end of the row with about five or six other guys packed into the space of a mattress," he said.

"I was warm on one side and freezing on the other."

Hadley leads the men known as the "Crocker Company," a group that has been active for five years. Most of the labs involve Living History programs for the public but the group might engage in one battle reenactment per semester, according to Hadley.

The men become soldiers and civilians of the time by learning how to march and drill with their 1861 Springfield Rifled Muskets as well as learning period [illegible] etiquette. Each [illegible] uniform and [illegible] equipment when they [illegible] the class and [illegible] the common rations of the time.

"For the little bit of time I had [illegible]," said Josh [illegible], a sophomore psychology [illegible] he dug in his [illegible] some coffee [illegible].

The women [illegible] their own [illegible] experiences as part of the group known as [illegible] Ladies [illegible] leader of the women and is in her third year of participating with the class.

"None of the women in the class really knew how to sew before taking this class (but) by the end of Boot Camp they had completed [illegible]

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adding that Leonard was one of the worse cases he had ever seen. Leonard joined his father as family members that had sleep apnea. Contributing factors to having sleep apnea include being male and overweight.

When people sleep, they have periods of rapid-eye movement or REM sleep. REM sleep is noted for intense brain activity, rapid eye movements and possible dreaming. It is the most restful sleep one can receive.

While the average person receives about two hours of REM sleep during eight hours of rest, Leonard was fortunate if he had 15 minutes of REM sleep, because his body was constantly waking up.

In July 1999, Leonard received a Continuous Positive Airway Passage (CPAC) ventilator to wear when he slept. The CPAC is a plastic mask that covers the nose and wraps around the head. The CPAC pushes air into the nostrils, keeping the passage clear and allowing one to breathe out.

The CPAC worked the first night Leonard used it. Leonard's amount of REM sleep increased immediately.

"It was the most rested I had felt in five years."

Leonard now wears the CPAC every night to sleep – even during naps – and he feels more rested, motivated and he can remember better.

But Leonard is just one of many college students seeking a good night's rest. A poll conducted by the National Sleep Foundation (NSF) showed that while experts recommend eight hours of sleep a night, college-aged students, who typically are between 18 and 29 years old, average less than seven hours.

Rob York, junior print journalism major, averages five-and-a-half hours of sleep a night.

"During the day, I yawn all the time and sleep during class," York said.

Laramie Barber, junior theology major, said he averages five hours of sleep a night.

"It's a constant battle to get my sleep schedule down," Barber said. "There are nights when you have to stay up."

Barber, who continues to fight the battle of sleep deprivation, already lost one round in July 2000 when he fell asleep while driving his red 1996 Mustang near Knoxville, Tenn. The Mustang was totaled when Barber hit a concrete guardrail. Fortunately, he was not injured. According to the NSF survey, an alarming 17 percent of drivers admitted to dozing off while driving.

Sleep deprivation and disorders are serious issues to Jeff Erhard, assistant dean of men. Erhard has witnessed the struggles of college students and their sleeping habits. And Erhard knows personally that a disorder like sleep apnea can be dangerous.

Mike Erhard, Jeff's brother, died in July 1998 from sleep apnea. Mike was a traveling computer repairman in Wyoming. He lived alone and one evening returned to his home, needing sleep after traveling for several hours. The exact details are not known, but it is believed that after showering, Mike sat on the couch to watch television, and fell asleep. His head leaned forward, and apparently sealed off his air passage.

"People need to get checked out," Erhard said. "Especially if they think they have [a sleeping disorder]."

Erhard said his brother's death has made him more aware of the seriousness of sleep.

"[Sleeping disorders] are not something to mess around with."

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Myers picked David Conrad, junior psychology major.

Most of the repairs have been fairly simple, Conrad said.

"Primarily chains are broken and tires are flat," he said.

Approximately seven to eight bikes are being repaired each week. The bikes usually are worked on near Campus Safety but some do make their way into Conrad's room for repairs.

Safety is another issue facing the bikes

There have been no t[illegible] ets given out for abusing [illegible] bikes around campus, sa[illegible] Eddie Avant, director [illegible] Campus Safety.

Avant's main concern [illegible] where the bikes are endi[illegible] up after the rider leaves.

"I've had to move bik[illegible] from the front doors [illegible] buildings all over campus[illegible] Avant said.

Riders are leaving th[illegible] bikes where they got o[illegible] without putting them in [illegible] bike rack or moving the[illegible] out of the way of walke[illegible] traffic, Avant said.

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organize the triathalon. He took care of the bike race part and other areas. Benge organized the swimming aspect and took care of the applications with the help of Carrie Shultz. Benge al[illegible] participated in the race w[illegible] his son Bo. They finish[illegible] with a time of 2:05:37.

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dress, petticoat, corded petticoat and most of their chemise," said Platt.

The women are learning how both civilians and soldiers lived during the time of the Civil War. This includes learning period etiquette, how to write, cook and sometimes "extra" things like candlemaking or quiltmaking, according to Platt.

Women in the class were required to make their o[illegible] clothing for the class and [illegible] some in the class it can g[illegible] quite hot under all the l[illegible] ers.

Tara Bolch, a sophomo[illegible] international studies ma[illegible] said she'd never been [illegible] miserable before.

"Other than being mis[illegible] able when it's hot, it's t[illegible] best history class exp[illegible] ence."

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Woman in Southern's Civil War living history class talk amongst the[illegible] selves as they portray civilians during the Civil War demonstration[illegible] View Southern.

Body shop to close

Department facing decreasing student enrollment, funds

By Kyle Baldwin
Assistant News Editor

The Body Shop program in the technology department will be closing at the end of this school year due to low enrollment and finacial loss.

The Body Shop has been open to students since 1978 and was a prominent fixture in the Technology Department. Students were offered majors in auto body repair and used the actual facilities to repair their own cars as well as a platform for hands-on study. But due to continuing decreases in enrollment for the past four years the "Shop" will be closed at the end of the school year in May.

"We've had three different teachers teach for us and we've had some good enrollment years in the past and we've been very successful," said Dale Walters, chairman of the technology department. "But in recent years the enrollment has dropped and it's been low with two or three majors. Because of that it's been operating at a financial loss."

The decision to close the Body Shop comes as a strong recommendation from the administration because of financial loss over the past several years, Walters said. While the decision is not final, all that is necessary is to have the board approve to close the program.

Although the Body Shop program is closing the technology department's auto mechanics program, a compliment to auto body, remains intact. Students still will have the chance to use the auto mechanic facilities and get associate degrees in auto mechanics.

The road rally is coming

With a $100 first prize, $75 and $50 prizes for the next two places, and a cool t-shirt for each driver and navigator, Southern Car Club's Road Rally on Sunday October 29 promises a lot of excitement.

"This won't be a race," said Aaron Haluska, club president. "It's a 25-mile test of accurate driving over back roads." Contestants will leave from Iles PE Center at intervals trying to follow written directions so as to arrive at a number of checkpoints precisely on time. The event will start at 1:00, with cars departing each two minutes thereafter.

In addition to a driver and navigator in every car, more occupants are suggested. At least one member of each gender must be in the vehicle, and a stopwatch on somebody's wrist is a really good idea.

"A back-seat driver is going to have as much fun as the person behind the wheel," Haluska said.

Club sponsor Merlin Wittenberg emphasizes the safety of having a rally.

"We stress the need to observe the speed limit and all traffic laws," he said. "The course has been laid out and timed for conservative driving."

All the same, the Road Rally will be a serious test of skill.

"Just staying exactly on the course without taking a wrong turn or two will be a challenge," Haluska said. "If you miss a turn, you'll need to get yourself straightened out so as to pass the checkpoint at just the right moment—not too early or too late."

The winner and runners-up will be closest to the standard course time set beforehand by a pace car. In this kind of event, all sorts of cars are equally competitive.

Entrance fees will be $5.00 per car for club members, and $6.00 for non-members. Students may register at the event, however, participation will be limited to the first 30 applicants who pay their registration fees

Southern shortens Christmas vacatio[illegible]

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

This year, Southern Adventist University students may find themselves asking when Christmas is.

Vacation is still months away, but some students are already disgruntled. Holidays start later this year, two days before Christmas Eve, and end on January 7. This means that there are only two-and-a-half weeks of holidays.

Southern and Andrews University have the shortest vacations of all North American Seventh-day Adventist colleges and universities this year. Both universities share a 16-day-long vacation.

"It's ridiculously short," said Amanda Knight, sophomore education major.

Some Southern students agree. Soon-to-be long-distance travelers are aggravated because of the difficulty and time it will take them to go home.

"I think it should be longer. If you drive, you don't have as much time to visit your family," said Lisa Vargas, freshman biology major. "I live in Texas, and that takes 23 hours to drive to."

Jared Mincy, freshman computer systems administration major, agrees.

"There's not enough time," Mincy said. "Especially if you're driving out west. Three weeks would be nice."

"I'd like to spend some more time at home before Christmas," said Justin Freed, junior business administration major. Freed will drive home to California.

Freshman Vane[illegible] Munoz added, "Flights [illegible] harder to get then. Du[illegible] that week it's more exp[illegible] sive to fly."

For others, it is not [illegible] great of a difficulty. "I th[illegible] it's short, but it won't be [illegible] inconvenience to me," [illegible] Jason Bartholomew, sop[illegible] more business adminis[illegible] tion major.

"It's just ugly comp[illegible] to last year because it [illegible] so much longer then," [illegible] sophomore Claudia Varg[illegible]

"Last year was an un[illegible] ally long vacati[illegible] explained Senior Vice Pr[illegible] dent George Babcock, "T[illegible] year we're shorter.

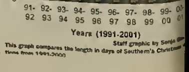
"As the years pass, [illegible] days go back one year, [illegible] the days get shorter. E[illegible] tually the vacations [illegible] shorter."

Last year Christmas v[illegible] tion lasted for 24 days. [illegible] average allotted vaca[illegible] length is 16 days, like [illegible] year. Most Adventist [illegible] tutions start their vaca[illegible] this year on Decemb[illegible] and finish on Januar[illegible] This means that most N[illegible] American schools have [illegible] day-long Christmas v[illegible] tions this year.

"We need to fit a ce[illegible] amount of class days [illegible] each semester. There [illegible] plot to cheat anyone o[illegible] their vacation," Bab[illegible] said. "It's just the wa[illegible] calendar works."

"In a sense, it's a [illegible] thing that it's short, bo[illegible] you don't get out of [illegible] swing of school," said [illegible] Bergman, freshman m[illegible] major.

(Angel Jewell [illegible] tributed to this story.)



Staff graphic by Sonja [illegible]

This graph compares the length in days of Southern's Christ[illegible] tions from 1991-2000

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FaithXpress

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s He worth it?

By Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

One lovely, sunny day us and his loving disci- were strolling along, ling people and preach- the gospel. Birds echoed et melodies in the air perfectly scented flow- enraptured the sense of ll. As the breeze blew ugh their hair, the disci- were greatly confirmed eir faith in Jesus as the of God.

hen, the Bible says, "He an to teach them that the of Man must suffer y things and be rejected the elders, chief priests teachers of the law, and he must be killed and r three days rise again. spoke plainly about this, Peter took him aside began to rebuke him" 8:31-32).

esus then rebuked Peter, ng, "Get behind me, n! You do not have in d the things of God, but hings of men" (8:33).

he birds hushed their singing, the flowers stopped spraying their perfume and it was ugly. Some of us today might say, "Why so harsh Jesus? Wasn't that a little rude and mean? You hurt Peter's feelings. BAD, BAD Jesus! Now go and apologize."

Of course I am coloring our responses to this little story to make a point. We sometimes like to sugarcoat the gospel to make it more appealing. Jesus simply did not do that. The greatest temptation for Jesus was to avoid the cross and let us perish in our sins. Satan hung up bright neon sings along the highway to the cross to try and get Jesus to exit. And in this instance, Satan used Peter to hold one of those signs.

After this sharp rebuke, Jesus gathered the whole crowd together for some application.

"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels" (Mk 8:34-38).

In order to follow Jesus, you must deny yourself. That means it costs something of your pride and your dreams. You will have to sacrifice your popularity with this "adulterous and sinful generation." If you have not denied yourself, you might ask yourself if you are a true disciple of Jesus. From one perspective, being a Christian is very hard. But I guess it all depends on how you view the Jesus you get to follow. Trust Him, He's worth it!

SM's kicked off train in Russia

By George Fuller
Special to the Accent

Gabriel Henton and I were coming from Moscow to Kaliningrad via train. We were told that a visa was not necessary for Belarus, but I was kind of nervous because Russian trains aren't like Western Europe's trains as far as security goes. Plus, Gabriel and I had a ton of luggage. We got on our train expecting a 22-hour ride.

We had fun playing Rook and hasseling some of the passengers. The train employees wanted a bribe to let us keep the sleeping stuff they had put on our beds. We weren't willing to pay, but they decided not to take off the bed linens. That was good. Then I played some card games with the other passengers. Don't worry, there was no money involved. After all, I'm a college student, so I have no money.

After a while, I also showed Gabriel my yearbooks from academy and SAU. It was fun cheeking out all my friends and remembering old times. Then we went to sleep. This is when life got exciting.

At about 3:30 a.m., we were awakened and asked to show our passports. Since we had no transit visa for Belarus, they kicked us off the train. We had been told not to get off the train, so at first we resisted. Then, they acted like they were going to arrest us. So we got off.

George Fuller is teaching English as second language in Russia.

We played Rook in the train station for a few hours until they put us on a train for Minsk. Fortunately, we didn't have to pay for that train ticket, but we had to get a transit visa, pay a fine, and then get train tickets to K'grad. We stood up on train with all our bags. There were some other people who spoke English, and they helped us get to the U.S. embassy. It was so nice to see an American and ride in an American car.

The embassy helped us out immensely. They gave us a letter to get visas, about $20 to get around in Minsk and to buy train tickets. I thank God for that embassy. They told us it was a good thing we followed instructions. Only a week before, some Americans were held in prison for two days for the same thing. God was watching out for us. We didn't get to K'grad until Friday. But God blessed us with safe travel and got us where we needed to go. I am so glad He got us through that experience.

I'm enjoying this SM experience, but I miss peanut butter. I also miss Mom's home cooking and Southern's cafeteria food, believe it or not!

I need to apologize to all the SM's who served last year that I didn't write to. I am very sorry I didn't do that. I would love to hear from all of you friends back at Southern. Please, write me. Email me. I miss you guys. God is blessing and we are doing all right here. My email is glfuller@southern.edu. Write as often as you like and I will write back as soon as I read your messages. Love you guys!

he essence of Christianity

By Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

the book A Violent e, Michael Card writes, icularly in American tianity, the cross has me somewhat objec- ble. Well-known pastors referring to it in their ons and on their TV rams because it is 'too tive'" (15).

believe there are many ns we like to avoid the who wants to "owe" one something? Isn't ross too violent? Talk the cross means worn liches that people use manipulate others. ldn't we focus on the important doctrines he Sabbath or Second ing?

ul, talking to members hurch in a cultural and center, says, "I didn't fty words and brilliant to tell you God's mes- I decided to concen- only on Jesus Christ is death on the cross" r 2:1-2).

e cross is not a club em or a church graphic. Hanging one around your neck does not have power to repel vampires. Putting one under your pillow or on your bumper doesn't protect you. Thanking God for it or singing about it doesn't necessarily mean you are not legalistic or even that you understand it. I've thought of it in all of these ways but never saw its true meaning.

Looking through Jewish eyes, the cross was not merely an instrument for executing criminals. Many people have been tortured more physically than Jesus on a cross. Pilate was even amazed that Jesus had died so soon because it usually took three to four days, whereas Jesus died in only a few hours.

To a Jew, from which perspective the New Testament is written, the cross was synonymous with being hung on a tree. To hang on a tree means to be eternally cursed and abandoned by God. "Even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8) refers to a spiritual separation from God forever.

Jesus did not die for you so you could live in heaven with Him. Jesus was willing to die FOREVER so that you could live in heaven in His place! Moses was a type of Christ when he asked God to forgive Israel or blot his name out of the book of life.

This eternal curse of separation from God is the penalty for your sin and mine. We each are destined to this dark fate, but "Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree" (Gal 3:13). The cross reveals the complete unselfish character of God in providing atonement for our sins.

Would you like to accept His death in your place? If you would, then the Bible promises that you are assured eternal life (John 3:16). Those who will be lost in the end will die, not so much because of their sins, but because they refused Christ's pardon. Let's make the cross central once again. It is the essence of Christianity

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How do you feel today?

By Debbie Battle
Staff Writer

Should I get up early to study or sleep in? Do you feel like going to the cafe or the CK? Should I go to class or skip? Should I drive my car to Brock or walk?

Everyday the average person probably makes over 1,000 decisions based on how they feel. What does this mean? Is it good or bad? Does God want decisions we make to be based on feelings? In a world controlled by feelings, where does God's plan of salvation fall into place?

My life feels like a roller coaster sometimes. I have really great days when everything is working out wonderfully. I can even see God working personally in my life sometimes. On these high days, it seems like nothing can bring me down. Then the storm hits. I struggle to make right decisions, and I fall into the deceptions of Satan. I start seeing my sinful nature and feeling worthless. Then I feel alone, like I'm the only one who feels this way.

When I feel far from God, I begin to doubt my salvation. If I feel guilty, and condemned, does that mean I am? Although it seems true, there is hope. "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." John 3:17.

Pretty simple: we sin, Jesus saves.

Why do we make it so complicated? We sinned, and deserved death, therefore, God sent Jesus to die in our place.

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23.

There was a need, and Jesus fulfilled it.

Where do feelings come into play? Should we base our belief in salvation on feelings? No. But that's not to say feelings are bad. God made us in His own image. He is a God who feels. He feels sad when you cry. The pain you feel hurts Him. When you are treated unfairly, God does care. He understands. He knows what it feels like to be alone.

"For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin." Hebrews 4:14.

Christianity is a journey with ups and downs. But God does not want us to wonder if we are saved. He wants us to have assurance! In 1 John 5: 12,13 it says, "He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God." We can know, be confident, have assurance, that we are saved. And we can continue to believe.

Feelings play an important part in our experience of Christianity. But they are not the basis of our salvation from day to day. If this is a struggle for you like it has been for me, search it out in the Bible for yourself. You'll see that it is plain and simple. We are the saved. Jesus is the Savior. It's a fact.

Nominal religion

By Billy Gager
FaithXPress Editor

George Barna's research into American church life is quite depressing. "Our research suggests that a majority of church-going Americans are not Christian at all, but simply attend the most visible of Christian events. Within some Protestant denominations, our data suggests that as many as three out of four regular attenders are not biblical Christians" (George Barna, Ministry Currents, Oct-Dec, 1992, 3). Basically, this implies that most of us are at best nominal (in name only) Christians.

Depending on who you talk to, you can find different solutions to this problem. Some emphasize uplifting the standards and preaching the law. This solution does good to emphasize the heights of holiness God is calling us to, but often ignores the cross. Others emphasize God's unconditional acceptance and love. While this is essential, the primary purpose of the cross is not simply to reveal God's love as some end in itself. Still others forget the whole theology debate and just criticize.

Ancient Israel also had this struggle. "The Ark remained in Kiriath-jearim for a long time - twenty years in all. During that time, all Israel mourned because it seemed that the LORD had abandoned them" (1 Samuel 7:2). Ellen White comments on this experience, "Without the grace of Christ the outward forms of religion were valueless to ancient Israel" (Patriarchs and Prophets, 632).

The following verses reveal that God's solution to nominal religion is genuine repentance (1 Samuel 7:2-6). Repentance is a deep sorrow for sin and a commitment to turn away from it. Israel had been mourning, but their mourning was obviously not sincere. They wanted God's presence. But they only served God to the extent that it was comfortable and popular. They wanted to keep worshipping idols, but they still wanted Yahweh to deliver them from the Philistines. If we want real religion, we must have a genuine repentance. That includes at least three things.

First, we must put away all of our idols and obey God only (7:3). An idol is not simply a statue that we bow down to, it is anything we put first in our lives. It could be music, a girlfriend or boyfriend, or pornography or whatever. Give it up and go to God only.

Secondly, we must fast and have people intercede in prayer for us (5,6). Sometimes our minds are so clouded and hazy we can't discern our own sinfulness. Fasting is to help us be sensitive to God's Spirit. Only He can convict us of sin, righteousness, and judgment. And having other people pray for our apathetic hearts is crucial.

Lastly, we must understand our personal part in the altar/cross. Israel said, "We have sinned against the LORD" (7:6). Then Samuel offered a burnt offering. The altar where animals were sacrificed was a symbol of Christ's sacrifice for our sins. God wants us to be drawn to the cross in personal repentance for our sins that crucified Jesus. Each of us can say, "Jesus died for My sins."

I know this is pretty straight testimony. But God is direct about sin because He is so determined to save us. Let's claim the promise of scripture together, "If you confess your sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Write to a student missionary today!

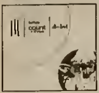
The Southern Accent

Lifestyles

Monday, October 16, 2000

Grassroots music

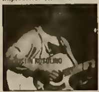
Allen Levi: Before the Count of Three



In 1995, Allen Levi quit his job as an attorney to devote himself to music full-time. Since then, he has become known as one of the most prolific singer/songwriters around, releasing an astonishing nine independent albums in just four years, and playing for countless YoungLife camps. On his latest release, Allen shares "snapshots of everyday life" that celebrate friendship, speak of love, and explore faith. Reminiscent of 70's folk, Allen's bare acoustic guitar is a suitable companion to his encouraging and witty feel-good lyrics, which are delivered in his simple, story-telling style. *Recommended for fans of:* David Wilcox, Dan Folgelberg, James Taylor, John Denver

Justin Rosolino: Music

Since Justin Rosolino began performing in New York clubs at the age of 12, it makes sense that his first solo album would be a live recording. "Music" features the raw energy and musical simplicity of one man and his acoustic guitar, without any extra musicians or studio tricks. Justin's voice is sweet and powerful, and his guitar playing is intense and impressive. The well-crafted



songs are pure folk, with rock and soul influences, and the earnest lyrics focus on love lost and confessional prayers. Complete with song introductions and improvised stage banter, this album captures the levity and quality of Justin's live show

Recommended for fans of: Pierce Pettis, Bebo Norman, David Wilcox

Waterdeep: Everyone's Beautiful

After touring for five years, selling 40,000 independent CDs and developing a "Dead-Head" like fan-base, Waterdeep was finally snatched up by a record label. The resulting album showcases their art-rock

style, which spans the genres from 70's classic rock to acoustic folk. Don and Lori Chaffer, who switch off lead vocals, both write some of the deepest lyrics ever recorded—lyrics which point out God's involvement in even the most mundane events. Their profound insights, combined with the band's stunning musical abilities, have made Waterdeep one of the most respected bands around, and make "Everyone's Beautiful" an instant classic.

Recommended for fans of: Grateful Dead, Phish, Indigo Girls, Suzanne Vega

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Retro in the metro

By Jennifer Wearner
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Bethel Thrift Shop
8016 E Brainerd Rd
9a.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Sat.
Overall Selection: 3.6
Clothing: 5
Furniture: 2
Miscellaneous: 4
Pricing: 4
Salespeople: 3
Organization: 2
Overall Appearance: 3
Thoughts: "The smell wasn't repulsive. Actually, the salespeople were helpful and knowledgeable, plus they had an awesome pea-coat there."– Ayesha Meriweather
Find of the day: Cotton Row Run tee shirt

Goodwill Family Store
8102 E Brainerd Road
9a.m.-7p.m. Mon.-Sat.
Overall Selection: 2.6
Clothing: 5
Furniture: 1
Miscellaneous: 2
Pricing: 4
Salespeople: 3
Organization: 5
Overall Appearance: 4
Thoughts: They have a good selection for men's pants (if you are not over 5'10") and an interesting record collection
Find of the day: two pairs corduroy pants (normally $2.50) on sale for $1 each

Goodwill Family Store
5060 South Terrace
9a.m.-7p.m. Mon.-Sat./12-6p.m. Sun.
Overall Selection: 3
Clothing: 5
Furniture: 1
Miscellaneous: 3
Pricing: 3
Salespeople: 2
Organization: 4
Overall Appearance: 4
Thoughts: They have a pretty big selection of toys, hats, scrubs and even wedding dresses.
Find of the day: cowboy hat (yehaw)

Salvation Army
800 McCallie Avenue
9a.m.-345p.m. Mon-Fri
Overall Selection: 2.6
Clothing: 1
Furniture: 5
Miscellaneous: 2
Pricing: 3
Salespeople: 3
Organization: 2
Overall Appearance: 2
Thoughts: "This is a wonderful place for cheap (and vermin free*) furniture."– Cowberta Jones
Find of the day: Paula Abdul "Opposites Attract" single for 50¢

Samaritan Center
9231 Lee Hwy
10a.m.-4p.m. Mon-Thur/1-4p.m. Sun
Overall Selection: 3.33
Clothing: 5
Furniture: 3
Miscellaneous: 2
Pricing: 5
Salespeople: 4
Organization: 3
Overall Appearance: 3
Thoughts: "Bring a weapon on 'dollar bag day' because it's survival of the fittest."– Mike Hagan
Find of the day: everything is good.

Trash & Treasures
135 Frazier Avenue
12-6p.m. Mon-Fri/11a.m.-6p.m. Sat
Overall Selection: 4
Clothing: 5
Furniture: 0
Miscellaneous: 3
Pricing: 0
Salespeople: -7.4
Organization: 3
Overall Appearance: 4

Thoughts: The only saving grace is the actual merchandise, although they probably bought it at another thrift store, cleaned it up a bit and slapped on a $20 price tag. The prices are incredibly ridiculous*, and the employee that "greeted" and waited on the customers was completely rude and untrained in the ways of retail.
Find of the day: Nothing. Maybe others will have more luck.

(*most of the time)

Ratings: 0-not acceptable at all 1-needs much work 2-barely decent 3-average 4-good 5-excellent

Ask Sholl

Real answers for real que

Dear Sholly

I broke up with a boyfriend who was abusive physic and I am dating a wonderful man now. My past boyfri has gestures and certain looks that have a special mean to me but seem harmless to people around us. He is aw of the impact this has on me but he seems to enjoy taunt me and I consider it abusive. Any suggestions about h dling this problem?

I-got-out

Dear I-got-out

I must congratulate you for getting out of an abusive r tionship. It takes courage and determination. The next t your ex-boyfriend taunts you in the presence of your frie just ask him why he is doing that? And ask him to stop. T probably will prompt the people around to ask about y annoyance with him and then you could explain what gestures and certain looks mean. This way you will h people to confirm that he is taunting you. Each time he d it, do the same thing and after awhile he will get the m sage that you are no longer afraid of him. You may also w to confide in your boyfriend about the impact of your behavior. Just remember to be calm, courteous and ar late about what you want. You did it before and you ca it again. Let me just say one more time I am very prou you and I will be praying for you.

Sholly

Have a problem or question you would like answered? Ask Sh ly. You can contact her at: scarlett@southern.edu

Note from the editor

So far we have had a decent response to our "Singles of the week" column with many entries in the guys' box and almost the same amount in the girls'. This is our first try at this and there has been a little confusion as to what this is all about. The two people in this week's column are not going to be set up on a date. The point is only to let everyone know that they are available. We would like to expand our section to the next level, which wo entail sending two pe out on a *blind date*. Ple let us know what you wo like to see or have us d our new and upcom columns

Also, if you are intere in writing for the Acc please contact the Lifest editor so she does not h to write all the articles self. Send your thought **accent@southern.edu** **jwearner@southern.ed**

Top ten uses for duct tape

By Reed Richards, Dustin Henever, Adam Williams & Chris Han

10. Too cheap for the Samaritan Center? Make your clothes
9. Vespers dates stick around longer with duct tape
8. Get rid of that unsightly unibrow.
7. Get rid of your vesper dates unsightly unibrow
6. Keep your towel secure on the way to the shower
5. Tape your eyelids open during convocation.
4. Tape yoursell to Gordon Bietz and claim to be Siamese twin.
3. Duct tape the chairs in the physics lab to the ce and claim to your professor that gravity has been revers
2. Use it to fix those stinking blue bikes.
1. Use duct tape to flavor that tasteless cafe food.

Recommended roadtrip

The Mason family, of Niota, Tennessee, has been farming since 1888, and this year they decided to add something a little different to their land. Carved over eight acres is a maze that Mrs Mason designed with a Holstein cow and the Mayfield Dairy logo. The maze has interactive questions posted throughout to get you from one checkpoint to the next. Stop by the Mayfield Dairy on your way home from the Mason Maze

When? Until the end of October. Dusk until midnight. (*October 14- Moonlight Maze walk)

How much? Admission to maze is $5 per person. Children under 4 admitted free, group rates available.

Where? Take I-75 North to exit #52. Turn right and travel 4.4 miles and follow signs towards Mayfield Visitor Center. Turn left onto Hwy 307 and go 5.5 miles. Turn left on County Road 364. After one mile turn right onto County Rd 361. Maze is half-mile on right.

More Info. 423.568.2498

Coming soon:

- Economical dates
- Camping/hiking spots in the area
- Drug end Alcohol Awareness week (Oct. 23-26)
- Expension in Singles column

Important updates and announcements

Joker correction:
Brian Sax (single)
Nursing student
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Male and female single students of the week

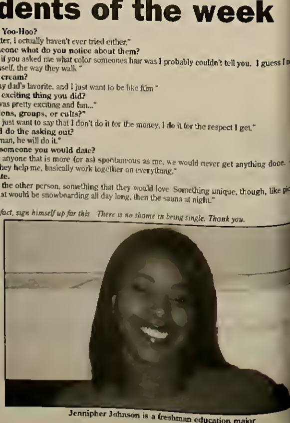
David Benton is a junior in business management

First off...Nestle Quik or Yoo-Hoo?
"Yoo-Hoo. It just sounds better, I actually haven't ever tried either."
When you first meet someone what do you notice about them?
"I'm really bad with details, if you asked me what color someones hair was I probably couldn't tell you. I guess I n the way someone carries themself, the way they walk."
What is your favorite ice cream?
"Pralines and Cream. It's my dad's favorite, and I just want to be like him."
What was the last fun or exciting thing you did?
"Kayaking the Nanatahala was pretty exciting and fun..."
Are you in any organizations, groups, or cults?"
"I am a Talge Hall janitor. I just want to say that I don't do it for the money, I do it for the respect I get."
Who do you think should do the asking out?
"The guy should. If he's a man, he will do it."
What do you look for in someone you would date?
"I don't think I should date anyone that is more (or as) spontaneous as me, we would never get anything done. someone who I can help and they help me, basically work together on everything."
Describe your perfect date.
"I would want to plan it for the other person, something that they would love. Something unique, though, like pic fruit. A perfect day...for me that would be snowboarding all day long, then the sauna at night."

Editors note: David did, in fact, sign himself up for this. There is no shame in being single. Thank you.

Which do you prefer: Nestle Quik or Yoo-Hoo?
"Yoo-Hoo."
When you first meet someone what do you notice about them?
"I guess their face, emphasis on the eyes."
What was the last fun or exciting thing you did?
"Hmm.. I don't know. That's so sad that I have to think about it! I went skating with some friends not too long ago."
Are you in any organizations, clubs, or cults?
"Since I've been here at Southern, no, not really. But at home I was in choir, I sang and played piano also."
What is your favorite ice cream?
"Chocolate."
Who do you think should do the asking out?
"Ohh, the guy. I would ask a guy out only if there were definite vibes."
What do you look for in a friend (male and female)?
<in deep thought>"He has to make me laugh; is nice and gets along with everybody."
What do you look for in guys in particular?
"Well, he must be taller than me (I'm 5'4") and also talkative."
Describe your perfect date.
"Justin Timberlake from N'SYNC <laughs>. Seriously? Just treat me like a lady and pay for me, of course. <smiling> Back home (in Atlanta) we could go to Malibu Grand Prix."

Editors note: Jennipher wants everyone to know that an anonymous friend signed her up. She sounded very shocked when we called her to let her know she won



Jennipher Johnson is a freshman education major

ATM to move to Thatcher

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

The automated teller machine (ATM) in Thatcher South is being moved to Thatcher Hall.

"The Collegedale Credit Union (CCU) is trying to have it moved out because it does not get much usage located [on the second floor of Thatcher South]," said Randy White, president of the CCU.

All ATMs lose money, but banks attempt to keep the loss at a level in relationship to the service offered.

The CCU pays processors to retrieve data of the transaction card to determine if users have enough money in their accounts.

But, while students in Thatcher Hall will benefit from the ATM move, some residents of Thatcher South will miss the availability of getting money quickly.

"Thatcher South is so separated," said Dusnar Renton, a sophomore education major and Thatcher South resident. "I feel like I'll have to go out of my way."

Noelle Carlson, a senior mass communications major, does not like the change.

"[Moving the ATM] is not convenient for those needing to use it here," Carlson said. "I'm not going to walk all the way over to Thatcher just to get money."

The CCU wanted to have the ATM installed in Thatcher before the semester started, but it will probably not be installed until a holiday break.

"We are moving [the ATM] to a better location," White said. "But we won't know until it has been there."

The ten commandments of managing stress

By Staff Brief

"You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, do not doubt the universe is unfolding as it should." — Max Ehrmann

Going to college can often be quite a stressful experience. Here are some ideas for dealing with the stresses so that you have more room for the fun!

Thou Shalt Manage Thyself

Most people talk about managing time in order to have more of what life has to offer, but it's only in managing ourselves that we really see a difference in our lives and are able to handle any stress life throws at us.

Manage yourself and other things will fall into place.

Thou Shalt Control Thy Environment By Controlling Who And What Is Surrounding You

Life is like a teacup. There's only so much "stuff" that will fit into it. If you fill your cup with the wrong things and the wrong people, you won't have time for the right things and right people.

The wrong things and people bring stress. The right ones bring joy and contentment.

Choose who and what gets your time and attention.

Thou Shalt Love Thyself

Acknowledge yourself for the good you do! Be gentle with yourself when things don't go as you might have wanted them to. There are just some things that you can't control — no matter how much you want to.

Love yourself for who you are right now — at this very moment.

Thou Shalt Reward Thyself

Leisure activities are otherwise known as recreational activities. When you do things that bring you joy, you are re-creating your spirit. Nurturing your spirit is a great way to help you reduce stress.

Take time to do things that reward you, every day.

Thou Shalt Exercise Thy Body

Health and vitality depend on your body's ability to use oxygen and food effectively. One of the ways to help that happen is through exercise.

Exercise also releases endorphins, which have been shown to improve one's mood, making it a great way to deal with stress!

Move your body every day!

Thou Shalt Relax Thyself

What do you do to really relax? Do you even take the time, or know how to?

Meditation, listening to soothing music, spending time with friends and people you love, conscious breathing . . . these are all ways to really relax.

If your mind is pelted to the things that stress you, you aren't really relaxed!

Take time to be absolutely quiet every day.

Thou Shalt Rest Thyself

It's important to take breaks. You need time for your brain to rest from what it has been doing. If you are tired, take naps - there is nothing wrong with them and they can often boost your energy so that you can notice it through the rest of the day.

It's also important to get sufficient sleep. Most people need at least seven hours each night. Good sleep habits include having a set bed time and a set waking up time. Did you know that if you don't get the amount of sleep you need, you can be off (in your ability to think, respond and judge) by as much as 50% the next day? Following a pattern and establishing a rhythm for yourself and your body help you be more relaxed and less stressed during the day.

Go to bed! Don't apologize for winding to "turn in" early!

Thou Shalt Be Aware of Thyself

Pay attention to your body. It gives you clues as to what it needs and when something is wrong with it. Also, know what makes you feel great and what makes you feel lousy. Being able to recognize them will help you make great decisions for yourself.

Also, listen to your intuition. Your wise self never gives you the wrong answers. Your head, on the other hand, will almost always try to talk you out of it.

Wake up and pay attention. You learn all sorts of things this way!

Thou Shalt Feed Thyself And Then Shalt Not Poison Thy Body

Our minds have really been polluted with ideas of what a "healthy" diet looks like, and what "proper" nutrition is. Learn about what things like "low fat" prepared foods, sugar, fat, caffeine and tap water are really doing to your body. Improper nutrition causes stress in the body. It's not hard to get the right information and make great choices for yourself.

Eat good stuff! Your body will thank you!

Enjoy Thyself

We've all seen stories of people, who, diagnosed with some horrible disease and given 6 months to live, have in those last months really developed a love of life - a desire to enjoy it all.

Well, forget about the person with only 6 months.... what about you? You probably only have 80 or so years... shouldn't each moment of your life be utterly excellent too?

There's only so much time in this life. Every moment of it is precious. Make it all count.

When you do, you'll find you have less stress, fewer physical problems, and that you're more productive. Look for the good/sweet/fun/joyous in every situation, even when life seems less than fair.

You deserve the very best life has to offer, and life deserves the very best you have to give.

Article courtesy of Medipeak, http://medipeak.com

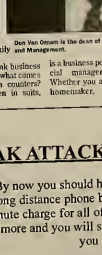
About the School of Business

By Don Van Omem
Special to the Accent

There is an old saying that goes like this: "Nothing runs by itself unless it is running downhill." Whatever the endeavor, successful outcomes don't just happen. A beautiful concert comes after hours of planning and practice. A college degree is the result of developing a course of action and successfully fulfilling the requirements. A happy family involves, among other factors, commitment to working together and putting forth much unselfish effort for each family member.

When you think business or management, what comes to mind? Bean counters? Men and women in suits, stressed, in a hurry, out to make money? Or a purposeful process to make something happen toward a desired goal?

To some extent, everyone are correct in the sense of business as a career. However, in another sense, business is for you and for everyone because we are all "in business" in some way. Therefore, it behooves each of us to have sufficient understanding of it to be financially successful in our schooling, our homes, our careers.



Don Van Omem is the dean of the School of Business and Management.

Remember "nothing runs by itself unless it is running downhill." Whatever your interests and professional goals, give yourself sufficient understanding of business so that your finances will not run downhill.

When you think business is a business person, a financial manager. Really! Whether you are a student, homemaker, professional, skilled or casual worker, you are impacted by business and you participate in it. How well do you manage it?

Many people say "business isn't for me." And they

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The Southern Accent

Technology

Monday, October 16, 2000

Top 10

You might be a geek if . . .

10. You have a second phone line at home for your modem
9. You've ever debated whether emacs or vi is better
8. You enjoy math
7. You consult your Palm before scheduling anything
6. You have ever bought another hard drive just for mp3's
5. You see more movies on your computer than in the theater
4. You have a tan from your computer monitor
3. You rush back from the cafe to talk to the same friends online
2. You wear shirts found only at computer shows
1. You laughed at any of these jokes

Be afraid, be very afraid.

Quotable quotes

"There are many methods for predicting the future. For example, you can read horoscopes, tea leaves, tarot cards, or crystal balls. Collectively, these methods are known as "nutty methods." Or you can put well-researched facts into sophisticated computer models, more commonly referred to as "a complete waste of time."
Scott Adams
American cartoonist

"The best computer is a man, and it's the only one that can be mass-produced by unskilled labor."
Wernher Magnus Maximilian von Braun (1912-77)
German-born American rocket engineer

"There is no reason anyone would want a computer in their home."
Ken Olson

The Internet, politics, and your future

By Webster
Staff Writer

Hopefully you have noticed and have been reading the articles written by your fellow students in the Accent about the importance of voting in this year's election. Let me add my voice to theirs. THIS ELECTION HAS EVERYTHING TO DO WITH YOU! The next president of the United States will effect the affordability of college, will influence the shape of long term health care in the future (Have you ever thought about how you will take care of your kids and aging parents at the same time?), and could effect the nature of our prosperous economy for better or worse.

Choosing not to vote because we are living in the last days is an intolerable excuse. Choosing not to vote because you feel both candidates are less than ideal or immoral is immoral. Voting, ownership and voice in one's government, is a privilege that is not given to all humanity around the world. The movie, "The Patriot" depicts the violence and conditions of the Revolutionary War. If you have seen the movie you may have had some of the same thoughts as I did, "Who in their right mind would fight like this? Those guys were stupid!" Later I realized that those men who fought for the birth of our country were in their right mind because they found something worth dying to attain—freedom. However, whether history will view their deaths as stupidity will have to be seen. Should we continue to pass up participating in the privileges of our democracy?

With that said, this Webster is devoted to websites that can help you participate in this year's election whether it be by registering to vote for the first time, obtaining an absentee ballot, or learning about each candidates position on the issues.

"If you don't get turned on about politics, politics will turn on you."—Ralph Nader, Green Party Candidate

www.rockthevote.org/flash/yes_no.swf
Sure there are a lot of people saying that you should vote but is it really that important? This eye opening FLASH site gives startling pictures and facts, to help you decide whether or not this election is a big deal. If this election or just voting in general is a big deal to you, then you can email this website to your friends who might not feel as strongly.

www.election.com
This is a great site to go to if you are mainly interested in registering to vote for the first time or obtaining an absentee ballot.

www.vote-smart.org
This web site provides tests over the various issues that are pressing the nation such as health care, education, and abortion. Take a test for the issue you are interested in by checking the boxes that represent your views and beliefs concerning that issue, and after submitting the test, this website will show you which candidates match your views on that particular issue.

If you have heard that Al Gore or George W. Bush has said something that encourages you or bothers you about a certain issue, you can search through the presidential candidate's public statements to see if what you have heard is true. Vote-smart.org contains a search engine that goes through all public statements made by the candidates. It can be quick and useful to your research on candidates all depending on your skills using search engines and refining your searches from general to specific.

www.voter.com
Voter.com covers the presidential race so well I don't even know where to start in order to talk about this site. For someone who does not have much time to do in-depth research, this site may seem overwhelming but can still be helpful. Voter.com is more of a portal site giving you articles that it has written as well as links to articles and media that come from other news sources such as CNN. Bonuses to Voter.com are that you can email government officials, create an online cause and track important legislation.

political.adcritic.com
Do you want a quick glimpse of how the candidates are selling themselves? Have you heard about the infamous "RATs" ad by the George W. Bush camp but never got to see it on TV? If so, you will want to send your browser to this site and you can view all the presidential ads that have been placed on TV, even by those candidates that didn't get to represent their party in the big race. The Ralph Nader "Priceless" is a must see.

Now you are prepared to hit the poles.

Email hoaxes

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

When twelve-year-olds find themselves with too much extra time on their hands, bad things happen. You can observe this by checking your e-mail. Virus warnings, offers for free goods or money, urban legends and other false e-mails have become a sort of pastime for well-meaning folks who don't know better. If you have recently forwarded such an e-mail, please sit down. You aren't really going to earn $5,000, tickets to anything or free clothes for forwarding an email. It's just not going to happen.

This may distress some people. After all, the e-mail claims that it's true. Alas, it is not. Apparently some people think it is funny to make these things up and send them to all of their friends (or enemies). Besides being annoying to receive and (heaven forbid) forward, these seemingly harmless e-mails have been known to collapse e-mail systems. Someone with good intentions may forward it to all of the people in their address book with the intention of warning them of a virus or getting them in on a special offer. Instead, they just jam up mail servers and annoy their friends.

So how do you know if an e-mail is a hoax or not? Just follow a few simple guidelines. If it promises you money or goods for forwarding it, it's probably a hoax. If you're going to help a Swedish boy with leukemia, it's most likely a hoax. If it's the latest gang initiation scary story, it's probably just another fake urban legend making its rounds. If you still can't tell, a great site too look for virus hoaxes is http://www.datafellows.com/virus-info/hoax/ and a (related) site for urban legends is http://www.urbanlegends.com/ .

Unfortunately the old rule stands true — nothing in life is free. You have to work for it like everyone else. So the next time you're tempted to hit that forward button for "FREE GAP CLOTHES!!!," think again and delete it. Your friends will thank you.

InterOp - not just free t-shirts

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Recently, a bunch of computer techies, self-proclaimed geeks and several innocent bystanders piled into two of the school vans and headed to Atlanta, Ga. While a kidnapping would make this article more interesting, the students were actually travelling of their own accord to a computer conference called Networld+InterOp.

NETWORLD+INTER

InterOp is an annual event sponsored this year by key3media.com, which focuses on bringing the latest computer technology to one place. Attendees may pay a fee and sit in on informative lectures presented by the de facto leaders of the industry such as Microsoft, Intel and Novell. Attendees who wish to get in for free still have many options open to them. They also may sit in on lectures, though they are less lengthy and the speakers are not necessarily anyone of great importance. Hundreds of booths are also set up in two different wings of the host building. These booths contain demonstrations of various companies' products, complete with personnel standing by in case a visitor has questions.

The information is nice, but arguably the most important part of InterOp was the accumulation of as many free t-shirts and gizmos as possible. Southern students could be seen darting through the booths grabbing a t-shirt here and a free CD there. Stress balls, be[d] sheets, yo-yos, pens and posters were among the goods taken in during these hours of plundering. Red Hat and Caldera were reportedly distributing free CD's of their Linux operating systems. With their bags full of goodies and their heads full of information, the students were treated to dinner at The Old Spaghetti Factory. It was very good food.

If you are interested in any aspect of computing consider attending InterOp next year. It's a fun time where you get a day out of classes, a chance to see the latest technology, and free t-shirts.

More quotable quotes

"DOS computers manufactured by companies such as IBM, Compaq, Tandy, and millions of others are by far the most popular, with about 70 million machines in use worldwide. Macintosh fans, on the other hand, may note that cockroaches are far more numerous than humans, and that numbers alone do not denote a higher life form."
New York Times, November 26, 1991.

"The question of whether a computer can think is no more interesting than the question of whether a submarine can swim."
E. W. Dijkstra

"A computer lets you make more mistakes faster than any other invention in human history, with the possible exception of handguns and tequila."
Mitch Radcliffe

"The best accelerator available for a Mac is one that causes it to go at 9.81 m/s2."
"I think there is a world market for maybe five computers."
Thomas John Watson, Sr. (1874-1956)
American businessman, president of IBM

Make your opinion known

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Every day people whine about politics and the people in office. I'd just like to say this, if you voted for them, shame on you! If you voted against them, then, yes, you can complain. But woe to ye who voteth not. But that's another topic that isn't related to technology.

your vote will always be sent where it counts

There's a nice little web site out there on the nebulous Internet that allows your meek voice to be heard above the other more important people. Vote.com is its name, and it allows any person with access to the Internet to cast an e-vote on topics that vote.com deems voteworthy. Categories like hot topics, sports, entertainment, tech, travel, family, business, environment, health, homosexuality and legal issues can be found on their web page, with multiple moral dilemmas to dwell on. Not only is this (somewhat) entertaining, but you can actually do something useful as well. Each time you vote, you are given the option to input your postal code and email address. By doing so, your vote will be sent to a Congressman or Representative - letting them know how you feel on the important issues. Your vote is kept confidential and your e-mail address will not be spammed. Best of all, it's free.

If you think you have something to say about politics or any of the above categories, take a look at vote.com and see what has made it the third-fastest growing domain.

Best and worst of the web

By David Fournier
Layout Editor

Good Site of the week:

http://aintitcoolnews.com/

Ain't it Cool News is a movie information and review site. Of course no Southern student would be interested in news about movies (ahem), but let's face it, the site is quite well done.

They have a pleasing layout and "theme" on the graphical end of things. It's very cartoony (if that's a word). There is an animated graphic on the main banner that is updated, if not daily at least weekly. I think it's daily, though. At any rate, it's cool and often fairly disturbing. Check that out.

As far as content goes, I would have to say that this is an original site. The reviews are written with honesty and a definite slant. The slant differs from writer to writer but they all have perspectives and don't mind giving them. I find that refreshing. I like to hear what people actually think rather than what they think other people think.

I like the writing because of that and the fact that they are usually pretty funny.

Bad Site of the week:

http://www.hackers-for-hire.com/

I was worried that I wouldn't be able to find anything this week for a bad site of the week. Five minutes of surfing on the internet proved me wrong. This is really amazing.

Hackers for Hire is a group of "hackers" (yeah right) who sell their "services" to unsuspecting companies to help them improve their information systems security.

As soon as you visit this site you realize that these are probably just a couple of teenagers who are messing with computers and would like to sound like they do cool stuff.

Hackers for Hire should have HIRED a web designer for their site for starters. It's a combination of really bad (I mean horrible) background graphics, steadily multiplying frames, and poorly planned use of space.

I don't know if these guys really know what they are doing as far as "hacking" goes. (I'm guessing they have watched too many movies) but I do know that this is one of the worst sites I have ever had to look at as far as graphics go.

Sports

Monday, October 16, 2000

A letter from the all-knowing editor

Dear readers,

I've been hearing that I've been too mean. So I've decided to make some changes. My staff and I have decided to make two sports sections. The first will be the wimpy section, and the second will be the manly sports section. If you want to hear positive, fluffy sports, read the wimpy section. If you want to read some in-your-face sports, then read the manly section. Thank you, and I hope this helps in clearing up some problems.

Morgan Kochenower

Wimpy sports

Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

Every single team looks to be even, and I think every game will end in a tie, because everybody is so good at football.

There were some football games on Thursday night, and everybody had a great time. All the guys had a smile on their face, and there were a lot of friendly handshakes at the end of each game.

I don't think there should be a B-league; everybody plays at the same skill level. B-league is a very negative league, because it is basically saying that you weren't good enough to get picked up in A-league.

Game updates

Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

Team Knutson 34
Team Brodis 0

OOOOOK, this was a B-league game, and it was a bid bit lopsided. TJ. Knutson played quarterback and had about 200 yards passing, threw for three touchdowns, and ran an interception back. Team Knutson had a 75-yard run for a touchdown, and basically dominated on offense. There were no weak links in their offense or defense. Scott Alton had two interceptions and on the third he collided with TJ. and broke his nose; he is out for the season. Team doctors will operate on Friday. TJ. got cut in the accident.

James Houghton played some safety, and halfback; he also caught a couple of long balls. Way to go big dawg.

Team Cargile 26
RAs 14

Should the RAs have a team? I sort of feel sorry for them, but there is a loud voice that overshadows mine on this topic. Steve Baughman felt that the RAs fought nobly, and were warriors on the field. Of course, he said that after I told him he was going in the paper.

Jesse Jarnes, who quarterbacked Team Cargile, did a great job of spreading the ball around and getting touchdowns when needed. On defense they were able to make two interceptions and hold the RA's from scoring.

The low point in the game came when Nate Marin and Brandon Baughman collided. Brandon ended up getting stitches in his chin, and Nate got a gash in his head.

Team Morris 39
Team Miller 6

Talk about a spanking. Morris dominated, and didn't stop till the final whistle blew. Chris Lathum had a great game catching two interceptions and scoring a touchdown.

Allen Nichols did an unmatched night at quarterback, throwing for, about 300 yards (that's a ball park figure).

Team Miller didn't seem to enjoy the game much. Some of the players were angry and harassed Andrew Massengill, who was a rusher.

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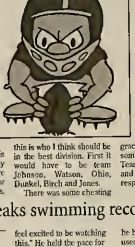
Manly sports

Disclaimer: Do not read this if you are easily offended.

Intramural flagball preview with bias

Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

This league is the same as the XFL, except with flags, and there aren't any hot cheerleaders, although Mark Dietrich will be cheering for me. No folks, this is Southern Football League, and there looks to be a lot of competition. Bob Bergs is doing a smart thing by putting the teams who are obvious the best in one division, then working his way down from them. That way there won't be as many blowouts as last year. Bergs made sure the captains knew this just so there wouldn't be any questions later on. Bergs also wants to make two or three A-league divisions, which would mean that there would be two divisions of six. If he were to do that, this is who I think should be in the best division. First it would have to be team Johnson, Watson, Ohio, Dunkel, Birch and Jones.



There was some cheating going on when Geoff Martin tried to save Bryce Redding, when Bryce had clearly left Team Johnson know that he wanted to play for them. That's low Geoff.

All the teams look even, and I know I'm always right with my picks, but for arguments sake we'll just say that there could be some teams that will surprise me, but it's not likely.

Now the WSFL is a different story. It took a while for them to pick. Most captains wanted the same people, but they were all gracious and let people go if someone else wanted them. Teams were finally picked, and the teams look respectable.

Beardsley breaks swimming record in mile

Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

The place: a swimming pool.

What was on the line: the mile record in swimming.

The person attempting to break it: Doug Beardsley.

The former record was 24 minutes, and by all the talk and hype around this event, Doug was planning on smashing the record. The race started and Doug had a fast pace. T.J. Knutson and Kristen Stagg said, "I feel excited to be watching this." He held the pace for most of the race, but started to drift off towards the end. That's when his mom started to hit the water and tell him to speed up. Doug not only broke the record, he smashed it. His time was a little over 19 minutes.

After the race Doug's mom felt that he could have done better if he had been training more. "When he went to academy, that's when his training stopped, he had no time for it. He is used to bigger meets, more people and more on the line."

Doug was very modest after the race. Doug owns all the records for swimming at Southern, and said, "It shows that I'm not that fast when I have all the records. There will be another to come along and beat me." Until that day, you still own them.

The next swim meet will be held on November 1.

Intramural golf championship this Friday

Chadd Watkins expected to lead contenders in golf match.

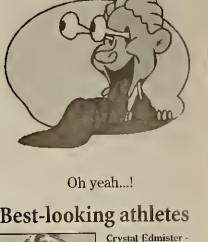
Jeff Morris
Sports Editor

Here we are again, at the end of another fine and exciting season of golf here at Southern. I know all of the faithful fans have kept up with the scores and highlights from this electrifying season, but for all of you who have not caught the intramural golf bug I will now let you know how the season went.

The captains were allowed to pick whomever they wanted and this produced some competitive teams. Of course there were favorites and at the beginning it looked as though there would be four strong teams: Watkins, Nudd, the Brown's and SAU's faculty team. We were all very surprised when Nudd's team, so full of the talent that heated its skills at Collegedale Academy, didn't make it to the final. There was a season of disappointment, but on the bright side they'll save $10 on Friday. The faculty, led by Rob Howell and Garrett Nudd didn't show up either. Two dark horse teams that did make it and will play this Friday are Castlebuono and Reading. So in the end there will be four teams competing this Friday for the prestige of being named as the SAU Intramural Golf Champions. Those teams are Brown, Watkins, Reading and Castlebuono. Some key competitors to watch this Friday will be Chadd Watkins (the boy has been "en fuego" this season), Adam and Royce Brown (an amazing story, these two brothers are some exciting young players), Tony Castlebuono (an avid supporter of Payne Stewart's wardrobe), and Ron Reading (the story of his comeback rivals that of Lance Armstrong).

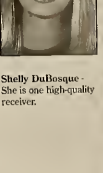
Something that caught my attention was the case of a player by the name of Chadd Watkins. This young player has been playing the golf of his life and enjoying every minute of it and yet someone felt the need to try and test his resolve. The highest rating up until a week ago for the league was "AA". This rating is reserved for the best players and therefore those who have to get the largest number of points. Now they have created a new ranking, "AAA", especially for Chadd to try and make it fair for the competition. Come on, it's the job of the competition to step up, and not rely on the organization to pick up the slack. It seems as though they are penalizing him for playing good golf. Hey, just because Tiger Woods is beating the pants off of everybody doesn't mean they make him start every tournament five strokes behind everyone, and just because the St. Louis Rams are having another good season doesn't mean that they have to start with a 14 point deficit every Sunday. All of the other "AA" players out there have the potential to shoot the same scores as Chadd. They could be playing at his level, but they are not.

This championship promises to be an exciting duel of some of the best golfing talent that SAU has to offer. The battleground for this event will be at The Bear Trace golf course in Harrison Bay State park. Come out and follow your favorite golfer and cheer him on in the Southern Intramural Golf Championship this Friday at The Bear Trace.



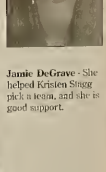
Oh yeah...!

Best-looking athletes

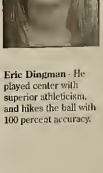


Shelly DuBosque - She is one high-quality receiver.

Crystal Edmister - Not only is she a genius, she can pick good football teams, and lead them.



Janie DeGrave - She helped Kristen Stagg pick a team, and she is good support.



Eric Dingman - He played center with superior athleticism, and hikes the ball with 100 percent accuracy.

TeamLemon revises their strategy Tuesday evening playing against Team Barnett

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EDITORIALS

Extend campus hours

The Seventh-Day Adventist Church has always held certain issues in high regard, including Ellen G. White and her writings, the 2300 Day Prophecy, maintaining good health and temperance, and strict observance of the Sabbath.

All of this is good, right? As faithful Adventists we have responsibilities to keep, doctrines to enforce, standards to uphold. But one must wonder if there is ever a time that such actions go too far.

The action that has gone too far involves the Friday business hours kept by Southern Adventist University. Wright Hall, McKee Library, the Campus Shop, and even the United States Post Office (a qualified representative of the federal government) shutdown at the stroke of noon on any given Friday. Why is this? Is the University incapable of conducting business hours on a Friday afternoon? Is Wright Hall in danger of destruction or some other terrific disaster, if it remains open past noon? We think not.

The original purpose for this action lies embedded in the writings of Ellen G. White, where she says to "guard the edges of the Sabbath." However, through perfectly good intentions on the part of the University, students suffer.

Many students have classes that usually dismiss until four o'clock on Friday afternoons. And for those students who have morning classes AND need to take care of business in Wright Hall, they are sorely out of luck. They can't cash a check, talk to student finance, get transcript information or anything else effected by the current business hours.

This is unnecessary and unacceptable. It is, however, avoidable.

We call on the University to extend the business hours of Wright Hall, McKee Library, and the Campus Shop, to two o'clock on Friday afternoons. We call on the University to deal with the fact that students have business needs and that any given Friday afternoon should not be encumbered from taking care of such business needs. In short, we call on the University to face reality and keep extended business hours on Fridays. The edges of the Sabbath will still be guarded and students' business needs will (hopefully) be met.

It is time that the University takes care of its most important customers - the students.

Prof's rights to intellectual property

PHILADELPHIA (U-WIRE) – The administration's new proposal on faculty intellectual property rights, now up for review by the University of Pennsylvania community, strikes us as a fair and effective response to the copyright challenges posed by new technologies. Both the decision to act and the action taken are commendable.

Currently, faculty members have full rights to any books or other publications they produce on University property and through the use of basic University facilities.

The new policy would extend those protections to written lecture content, software codes and other research projects in other works. It extends a policy that has worked well for old media to the realm of new media. In doing so, the policy recognizes that of its core, copyright laws aim to protect the right of an individual to benefit from his or her own ideas.

Changes in the means of dissemination, made possible by the Internet, should not affect ownership of content, and we are pleased to see Penn recognize that principle.

At the same time, the University has appropriately asserted its copyright over property produced with the use of significant University resources.

Though ambiguous on its surface, the policy requires that Penn retain a copyright agreement with each faculty member before providing special support of any kind, thus ensuring fairness.

In both respects, the policy represents a common-sense approach to the issues raised by the proliferation of technology. By recognizing the time-tested nature of existing copyright structures and adjusting as needed, Penn has created a policy we encourage faculty to support.

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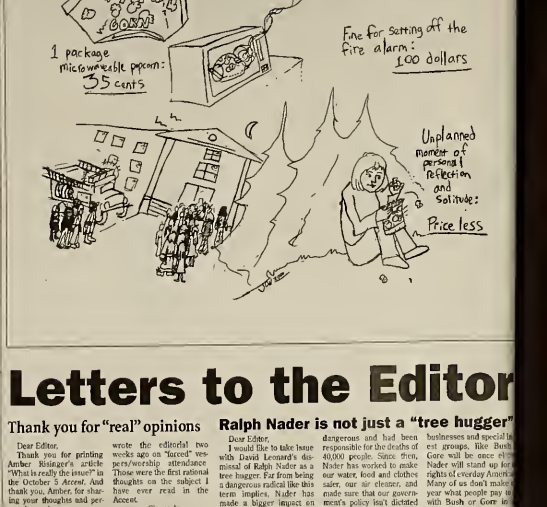

Letters to the Editor

Thank you for "real" opinions

Dear Editor,

Thank you for printing Amber Risinger's article "What is really the issue?" in the October 5 *Accent*. And thank you, Amber, for sharing your thoughts and personal experiences.

Thanks also to whoever wrote the editorial two weeks ago on "forced" vespers/worship attendance. Those were the first rational thoughts on the subject I have ever read in the *Accent*.

Sincerely,
Eric Nelson

Article correction

Dear Editor,

In last week's issue of the *Accent*, an article was run entitled "The Surplus Solution," and it was credited to me. But in fact the article was written by Zach Shalar, not me. As Issues Director for the SAU Young Republicans, I am responsible for finding other club members to write about issues, and then it is my responsibility to turn those articles in to the Accent. I apologize for any miscommunication that may have occurred between the editors and me. I would also like to apologize to Zach for his not getting the credit he is due.

He is one of the brightest and most enthusiastic Young Republicans out there, and I wish that article had been mine. But I will not take credit for what is not mine.

Sincerely,
Rob York
Junior
Journalism

Ralph Nader is not just a "tree hugger"

Dear Editor,

I would like to take issue with David Leonard's dismissal of Ralph Nader as a tree hugger. Far from being a dangerous radical like this term implies, Nader has made a bigger impact on how we live our day-to-day lives than either Bush or Gore. Ask yourself, what is one concrete way something George W. Bush or Al Gore did has directly affected your? Think of one? I can't, but we see Ralph Nader's influence all around us. How? As a consumer advocate, Nader has worked to make our cars safer. Back in 1965 he showed how General Motors was knowingly marketing cars that were dangerous and had been responsible for the deaths of 40,000 people. Since then, Nader has worked to clean our water, food and clothes safer, our air cleaner, and made sure that our government's policy isn't dictated by big businesses and special interest groups. Shamefully, Nader has been left out of the debates, but his campaign rallies have drawn over 10,000 people in Portland, Minneapolis and Boston. While Gore and Bush hold fundraisers where you have to pay $10,000 a plate to get in, Nader is instead urging his supporters to donate time, not money. Rather than being a malignancie for big businesses and special interest groups, like Bush and Gore will be once elected, Nader will stand up for the rights of everyday Americans. Many of us don't make a year what people make in a week with Bush or Gore in a night. Isn't it time we had a President who puts the interests of average Americans first? Why not learn more and check out his website, www.voteNadder.org? A vote for Nader is not a wasted vote, but a way of telling the two major parties how dissatisfied you are with the status quo.

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Want to comment?

Send in your letters

to the editor.

Gore proposes cheaper tax plan

WACO, Texas (U-WIRE) - With large budget surpluses expected, both major party presidential candidates are proposing tax cuts, and Vice President Al Gore's and Gov. George W. Bush's tax cuts differ greatly, both in who would benefit and in total cost. Not only would Gore's tax plan be cheaper, leaving more of the projected surplus to help other areas like Social Security, health care and education, it would primarily benefit low- and middle-income families who need the assistance the most.

The Congressional Budget Office has estimated a $4.5 trillion surplus. Bush's across-the-board tax cut would take $1.6 trillion from the surplus, according to U.S. News & World Report. Gore's tax cut, on the other hand, would cost an estimated $500 billion over a ten-year period. His plan would leave an additional $1.1 trillion of the budget surplus to invest in Social Security, health care, education and other important programs. Both candidates' tax cuts are expensive, but we believe if the government is going to give tax cuts, they should go toward the people that need them the most.

Gore would offer several tax cuts to middle-income families, specifically tax credit to areas such as child care, after-school programs, college tuition and marriage taxes. He would give a $500 tax credit for families to help pay for child care, and give up to 50 percent of costs associated with after-school programs. Gore would offer tax-free IRAs for up to $2,000 a year to help move the estimated 40 million people who have no savings. Gore would expand the earned-income tax credit for low-income families to cover up to 8 million more people.

Bush's plan is much more complicated. It would give a tax cut to everyone, cutting the tax percentage from 15 percent to 10 percent. But because of the nature of his tax cut, we believe it would not help the hard-working families that need relief the most. According to Citizens for Tax Justice, a non-profit nonprofit organization, family earning $15,000 to $24,000 would get an average deduction of only nearly $187 a year. Eleven percent of Bush's tax cut would go to the top 1 percent of Americans, those with $915,000 or more a year.

The United States is lucky to have a balanced budget plan, and we should make sure the money is allocated wisely. Gore's tax cuts are primarily benefit Americans that struggle to pay bills most, and at the same time would leave plenty of budget to maintain and improve other programs.

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Eyes and ears

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

This is my introduction to you. I come unexpectedly. It's six weeks into the year, you say, and now you come unexpectedly? Yes, six Issues of the *Southern Accent* later, I am here.

Nice to meet you, I respond, shaking my proverbial hand.

Right, then, introductions aside.

I attempt to phone my father at work. The South's network is busy. It's always busy. Ever notice?

I phone Information Systems (Ok the only line that isn't busy), I complain, politely. Claire Aitchison talks to me. She tells me (politely) that I have to dial "2."

So, Claire, how many outgoing phone lines does Southern own, anyway? Ninety, she tells me.

Claire, there are 500 girls in Thatcher Hall alone. And 700 boys in Talge. Not to mention the extra 200 residents in Thatcher South.

Ninety outgoing lines?

"Well, there are 24 lines specifically for long-distance calling cards," Claire adds.

Too bad the only calling cards these lines are available for are Southern calling cards.

I challenge whoever buys these phone lines: Buy more. Or make them more accessible. It's extremely inconvenient to have to drive to Winn Dixie to phone 1-800-COLLECT.

During lunch at the cafeteria, I notice a yellow squeeze tube in the sandwich section. "Mock mustard" says the writing on the side.

Hmm. I am curious.

I look at the condiment section: salt, sugar, butter and honey.

I visit KR's and the CK.

Hmm.

Ladies and gentlemen, there is no mustard. And there is no pepper. I can't believe it.

I walk back to the cafeteria. So, Richard Johnson, head cook, why is there no mustard or pepper?

"We don't serve mustard or pepper because of what Ellen White says in Testimonies on Diet and Foods."

Oh yes, page 128, paragraph 5. "Mustard, pepper, spices, pickles . . . irritate the stomach."

On page 14 of the same book, she also writes, "The effect of cheese is deleterious."

Hmm. Cheese. And what about that infamous bicycle statement?

Speaking of the two-wheeled wonders, here's a final word to the SA: Great idea. We all look at the bicycle beauties in fond memory of you. When we see them, they've only been around for a short time and they're already scarce. Not good. Or never there when you need them. We love you anyway. It really was a great idea.

Kudos, though, to KR's and the CK, the not-necessarily-healthier-but-always-open-when-you-want alternatives to the cafe places. They are the cozy little corners of our campus. Not enough praises can be sung in their honor.

Until next week, then.

wo dollars for your thoughts

see him approaching me m about a block away. His is somewhat unsteady. clothes are off-color and y, not to mention out of e. I don't remember the es he was wearing, but I tainly would have ced if his feet had been e.

My friends and I looked each other and kind of led our eyes. The tattered n was getting closer and knew what was coming.

He finally reached the nt where we were sitting. opened his mouth, atched his head and ted to speak

"Could you please help ? I need twenty dollars so n have a hot meal and a ce to sleep down at the vation Army."

We ignored him for a ment until I couldn't nd it anymore. I quesned his request for twenty llars. How dare he ask for twenty dollars! I mean, I am a college student. Twenty dollars is a small fortune. I thought for sure an individual in need could find a place to stay for free.

Heather Flynt

I looked at my friends. They were offering no help. So I dug into my pocket. My stubby little fingers felt the familiar papery feel of the good old American dollar. I pulled out two crumpled dollar bills. As far as cash goes, it was all I had. I straightened out the bills and handed them to the guy.

I said, "Listen, I don't have twenty dollars to give you, but you can have my last two bucks."

He hastily took the dollar bills, as if I was going to change my mind. He thanked me and walked on in quest of the other 18 dollars.

Upon reflection, I have realized the genius of this man's plan. This guy had a mind for marketing and would do well in sales. He sold me for the bargain price of two dollars.

Of course, I have no idea what my two dollars could have bought. I can only speculate. His brilliance lies in what he asked for.

In my lifetime I had been approached numerous times in a similar manner. However, I had never really given money to a stranger before. I didn't know what sort of things I was contributing to. But this time, I gave two dollars, my last two dollars, and do you know why? Because he initially asked for 20 dollars, so when I gave only one-tenth of his request, it felt like nothing

I have tucked this little experience away to be able to use its core theory in my own career pursuits.

If the man was truly in need, I hope my pitiful two dollars helped in some way. Even if he didn't need the money or misused it, I don't mind. Two dollars isn't much to pay for a lesson in persuasion.

Heather is a senior mass communications major from Florida

Kill the rude beast

So I get to my room, right?

I've had the worst day. And all I want is to check my voicemail and have a message from someone

Anyone.

But no. That obnoxious, mechanical voice tells me that there are no messages. Okay, time for the backup plan. E-mail.

Arrrgghh! All my inbox has for me is a stupid forward! I delete it in anger. That settles it. No one cares. I've had a horrible day, a horrible WEEK, and I'm all alone.

I have two choices: I could burst into tears (okay, so I did that already), crawl into bed with an oversized, yellow duck named Arnold, and wallow in misery. I could tear into my roommate's Chips Ahoy, whining about life and how terribly it treats me.

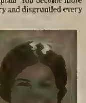
I could choose to be unhappy.

Or, I could wash the mascara streaks off my face, brush my teeth, and pull myself together. Just because life is crummy doesn't mean that I have to let it stay that way.

There are times when everything comes crashing down. You don't have time to study for a big test because you were too busy studying for that OTHER big test. You know, in your free time. Between fighting with your significant other and getting the transmission replaced in your car.

Then on Monday morning, on the way to your 8 a.m. class, the chain falls off that rickety Cruiser Bike you grabbed by the dorm. Wreckage on the Promenade ensues.

And so you complain. And complain You become more angry and disgruntled every



Harmony Tillerson

time you tell someone your tale of horror, and by lunchtime you're furious with life and convinced that no one has it worse than you do.

Yeah, life is tough at times. Well, a lot of times. It can be so easy to let it get to you. To get wrapped up in your problems and worries until you become a self-centered beast who is rude to everyone – because, hello! you have the right to be rude after the day you've had – and soon you are just really hard to deal with.

And you wonder how you got so deep in self-pity anyway.

Obviously, I am not the biggest expert on stress management, but I have found that there are ways to turn a really bad day into a pretty decent one.

No one is responsible for your happiness except you. There is no one on this earth that you can rely on for that. There are people who contribute to it, definitely, but no one that can give you everything that you need.

That's God's job.

Everyone has his or her Rude Beast times. I always feel like a horrible person, but it sure doesn't stop me from rampaging around campus and biting my friends' heads off - not to mention being negative and impatient about absolutely everything.

But it doesn't have to be that way. I've come to understand this more and more. All I have to do is go out to the Spalding playground and swing. Look at the sky. Go running.

Inspect leaves. Shop at the Samaritan Center. Pray.

And when I take the time to do things that contribute to my happiness, I am happier. Go figure, huh?

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana

Buying our votes

Did you watch the presiential debate last week? mething about this camign has really started to g me. It used to be that ndidates would try to buy r vote with advertising or her stupid gimmicks. Well, is has changed.

The candidates have now arned that they can buy uge voting blocks using ur money. They are all romising the senior citiens that we will give them ee medicine. Sounds great, oesn't it? We will just give l the old people free medine We don't hear about ow much it will cost. edicare is already straing to pay for the services t it is supposed to cover ght now. Maybe we should x the current program efore we create another.

I think it was Alexander raser Tyler who wrote, "A emocracy cannot exist as a ermanent form of government. It can only exist until the voters discover that they can vote themselves money from the Public Treasury. From that moment on, the majority always votes for the candidate promising the most benefits from the Public Treasury with the result that a democracy always collapses over loose fiscal policy always followed by dictatorship" ("The Decline and Fall of the Athenian Republic").

Jonathan Geach

I agree with this. If people simply vote for the candidates that will promise them the most money, we aren't going to make it very far.

I also question the need for a prescription drug plan I worked in a doctor's office last summer, and almost every drug company has a program to help people who can't afford to pay for their medicine. People complain that drug prices are too high and it is unfair that new drugs cost so much money. If someone thinks the new drugs cost too much, they can use the old ones. Drug companies invest huge amounts of money into every new drug that comes to the market. They have to charge high prices in order to fund the thousands of other drugs they are trying to develop and the other ones that have already failed. Many companies only have one or two drugs that give them the majority of their sales.

So what is the point? Well, I don't like the candidates trying to buy my vote with my money. I also don't appreciate it when people complain about high drug costs. If it weren't so lucrative to come up with a new "miracle" drug, companies wouldn't try so hard and invest so much money. I am glad that prescription drugs give drug companies such high profit margins because it stimulates research and development that will be there to help me when I am old. As long as they are willing to help the poor with free drugs, I see no need to change the system.

Jonathan is a senior chemistry major from Georgia.

When you hear the music, dance

Many of you must believe love, otherwise you would t be in a relationship. ell, I suppose it could be shful thinking or your agination, but trust me, rowing your heart up in e air, then hoping that meone will catch it is not art! I have always had a ar of the "love thing." You ust be extremely vulnerae–so vulnerable that it ds leaving you a mess!

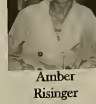
Okay, let me tell you w..all's fair in love and r. Despite my "little" fear love, "love" and I are like agnets. I'm what you call a peless romantic. I know a t of you girls (some guys o?) can relate to me. As e goes on I discover that is something so incredibly werful. You know "love n move mountains," "part e seas," "make you float on ud 9?" It's like a disease a drug (love potion).

Relationships are easy to t into and even easy to get t of, I think. Now finding e, real love, that's a differt story.

Real love is also easy to l into, but is it easy to fall t of? Real love has qualis stronger than just two ople with an attraction, o people willing to comt, two people getting ong. If those were our only ns of love, we could just ut be with anyone! There no words that I can find use that are adequate

This is a small, special experience that I had just about a week ago. I've been visiting an older lady named Ruth for a few weeks now I do not know Ruth very well, but the times we have spent together have meant something to me.

I arrived at my favorite time of the day, about an hour and a half before sunset. During this time it feels like life is on hold and the world isn't spinning on its axis. It's time for thinking and enjoying the day. The sun was shining through her window, causing her small, dull room to appear welcoming. I knocked, then walked in, peeking my head around the corner. I saw Ruth laying on her bed, gazing out the window. She slowly turned to see who had entered. Once she recognized me, she smiled. I sat on the side of her bed and held her hand. Ruth's eyes were full of emotion. She was obviously sad, but seemed to be content at the same time. We began talking about simple things– the sunshine, the birds outside of her window, the water sprinklers, horses, gardening and such. Somehow we came to the topic of music. Ruth told me that she used to love music. Curiously I asked her why she did not still enjoy music. I thought perhaps she did not have a stereo. I searched the room casually. Turning my attention back to her, I recognized the look in her eyes;they were very distant. The expression on her face and the tone in her voice prepared me for an important response. I stared down at our hands. I noticed her small ring just when I heard her say "ever since my husband passed away three years ago, it just hurts to much." She looked at me and said "you love someone too." I nodded. We both looked out of the window and my heart went out to her. I imagined her and her husband on a beautiful day like that one, out gardening together and then preparing dinner. Spending another simple yet treasured evening together. Memories swap through our souls like a crisp wind. We had not said much but we understood. There is a part of you that is just not there when you love someone you can't be near. A few minutes later Ruth said she would never listen to music again, not without her husband. I did not sense any regret or anger. She was filled with sweet memories, and she found pleasure in expressing her love toward her husband still.



Amber Risinger

I admire Ruth because her love is old and lasting. She looks on me with the same warmth, I suppose because I am young and have love that's lasting. Who knows what will come of it? That's not the point. The point is it will always exist. Now I know that I believe "it is better to have loved and lost then to have never loved at all."

"When you hear the music, don't be afraid to dance."

I Corinthians 13:7-8
Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always endures
Love never fails..

Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia.

I am protecting myself

Gun control is such a testy issue, especially for uninformed individuals. Let me start off by giving you the truth. Gun control is not the act of taking guns away from the public, but taking them away from the criminals. Now I understand that it is hard to stop the evil element from acquiring guns illegally, but every little bit counts. Now my other political colleagues will tell you that we (Democrats) are trying to turn this country into Australia, a country where guns are banned from the public and crime is running wild. That couldn't be farther from the truth. Now Al Gore wants people purchasing a handgun to have a photo license. He believes that assault weapons shouldn't be sold at gun shows where anyone can buy them. But then, my opponents ask, how is he going to stop criminals from buying guns? Well, he can't, but Al Gore proposes that there be much heavier penalties for being involved in a gun-related crime. That will slow down a little bit the amount of crime involving guns. Now tell me, is that taking away all your guns? Because the last thing I remember is that a rifle, a shotgun and a pistol are still guns, and the public can have them. For all you anti-

Troy Ondrizek

gun control people, I'm sorry if it's an infringement on your rights if you can't own a tank. I have no idea how you're going to be able to defend yourselves now.

When I was eight years old, my friend Ali Shanan was shot and killed in his own home during a drive-by shooting. He was feeding his little sister breakfast and a stray bullet from an AK-47 pierced through his head, instantly killing him. The people involved in the shooting acquired their guns from a nearby gun show. And they killed my friend, Ali, because his brother wouldn't buy drugs from them. My best friend was killed, a sobering reality that shouldn't occur to anyone, and that is why 've need gun control.

The goal of gun control is not to take guns away from the public, nor is that a result of gun control, but to stop monstrosities like that from happening. Gun control can't stop gun crimes, but it can reduce the amount of them, therefore saving lives. That life that is saved may be yours or mine, but unfortunately that life wasn't my best friend's

All information is from www.algore.com/issues.

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Gun control: Is it a real solution?

All too often we are reminded of the tragedy in Littleton, Colorado. This unfortunate event, among other recent shootings, have brought the debate over gun control into the spotlight. Many in society today are calling for very restrictive gun control measures intended to keep criminals from attaining firearms. The problem with these proposals is that they do virtually nothing to keep guns from criminals. For instance, in the two years since Australia has completely disarmed its citizenry, robberies have risen by 39% while assaults involving guns have increased by 28% and murders by 19%. These increases in crime are quite similar to those in England after they enacted a complete ban on firearms. The examples of these two civilized countries show us that removing firearms from the population does nothing to reduce crime, but quite the opposite When a criminal knows that his victim will, by law, not be able to defend himself, the criminal can do what he wants without fear of the victim retaliating. The current laws of this country keep convicted felons from ever purchasing a firearm through a store or gun show. The instant background

Jacob Forster

checks have seen to this. Any furthur legislation will simply restrict access of law-abiding citizens. Therefore we can see that gun control is not the solution. What, then, can we as a nation do to solve our problems with violence? Most of these school shootings have been committed by children who did not recieve a nurturing enviroment in which to grow. Our society must change the mentality towards violence before we can see any tangible changes in the occurances of violence. These societal changes must occur at the roots, within the home. It is the parents' responsibility to see that their child is well adapted and learns the difference between right and wrong. Just how many people do you know that grew up in a loving home who have severe problems adjusting to society? The solution to our problems are found within the home, not within the Capitol.

(Statistics are from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, 1998)

Jacob is a guest Republican columnist from Tennessee

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Humor

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Stop the PDA

By Melissa Bowen
Staff Writer

I feel like I need an umbrella.

Yes, it's ten minutes before curfew and I'm making the trek from my car to my room in Thatcher. Surrounding me are couples. You know what I'm talking about. The ones that are whispering to each other, "I love you more." "No, I love YOU more." "Nope, I love you MORE." Then, on the last embrace, promise faithfully, "I'll call you when I get to my room." It makes me wonder how they stay so close without wearing the same pair of jeans.

Don't get me wrong, I'm all for happy relationships (pearlies to the people who truly find it), but I don't go for the lovey-dovey-all-over-each-other-up-in-your-face relationships. I've been in one–they aren't all they are cracked up to be. I find them suffocating and dull. If a guy can't talk about football with me because he's staring into my eyes, that's a big hint for me to walk away (speaking of football-the Redskins are having a really nice season, for once).

It's gotten so bad lately that it's become a public disturbance. Joanna, a very good friend of mine, was walking out of the lobby and being distracted by the smooching (and dare I say... groping?) that she tripped over the last step of the stairs and tumbled into the air. She landed on the concrete looking like a sprawled out spider. The injuries on her face were so bad that she was advised by several concerned (and probably available) Talge men saying, "you better leave that boy!"

Something must be done about these PDA's Neon lights underneath the trees? An RA to moniter the benches (they moniter the clock pretty well at worships)? These are pretty weak ideas, huh?

So I guess that means I'll have to get to the dorm earlier, or later... in a perfect world that is, where everything goes my way (hey, we all can dream).

p.s. to all you infamous Southern couples, thanks for letting me tease ya. if it makes you feel better, just think. if it weren't for you, where would we get our reputation as SMC, Southern Matrimonal College?

The effects of discrimination

As we know, we see discrimination in some form or another almost everyday, and often it leaves a sour taste in our mouths.

The following story shows us the side of diversity that we are all working for. It is a pleasant twist to see that there are companies and individuals who face discrimination head on, if only one small step at a time.

Enjoy reading the positive side of diversity...I applaud BritishAirways for their action in this situation.

On a BritishAirways flight from Johannesburg, a middle-aged, well-off white South African lady found herself sitting next to a black man.

She called the cabin crew attendant over to complain about her seating.

"What seems to be the problem Madam?" asked the attendant.

"Can't you see?" she said. "You've sat me next to a kaffir. I can't possibly sit next to this disgusting human. Find me another seat!"

"Please calm down Madam," the stewardess replied. "The flight is very full today, but I'll tell you what I'll do–I'll go and check to see if we have any seats available in club or first class."

The woman cocked a snooty look at the outraged black man beside her (not to mention many of the surrounding passengers). A few minutes later, the stewardess returned with the good news, which she delivers to the lady, who cannot help but look at the people around her with a smug and self-satisfied grin:

"Madam, unfortunately, as I suspected, economy is full. I've spoken to the cabin services director, and club is also full. However, we do have one seat in first class."

Before the lady had a chance to answer, the stewardess continued, "It is most extraordinary to make this kind of upgrade, however. And I have had to get special permission from the captain. But, given the circumstances, the captain felt that it was outrageous that someone be forced to sit next to such an obnoxious person."

With that, she turned to the black man and said, "So if you'd like to get your things, sir, I have your seat ready for you..."

The surrounding passengers stood and gave a standing ovation while the black man walked up to the front of the plane.

People will forget what you said . . .

People will forget what you did . .

But people will never forget how you made them feel . . .

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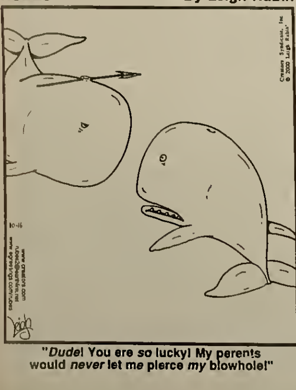

"*Dude*! You are *so* lucky! My parents would *never* let me pierce *my* blowhole!"

Idiots

IDIOTS IN SERVICE:
This week, all our office phones went dead and I had to contact the telephone repair people. They promised to be out between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. When I asked if they could give me a smaller time window, the pleasant gentleman asked, "Would you like us to call you before we come?"

I replied that I didn't see how he would be able to do that, since our phones weren't working. He also requested that we report future outages by email (Does YOUR email work without a telephone line?).

IDIOTS AT WORK:
I was signing the receipt for my credit card purchase when the clerk noticed I had never signed my name on the back of the credit card. She informed me that she could not complete the transaction unless the card was signed.

When I asked why, she explained that it was necessary to compare the signature I had just signed on the receipt. So I signed the credit card in front of her. She carefully compared the signature to the one I had just signed on the receipt.

As luck would have it, they matched.

IDIOTS IN FOOD SERVICE:
My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for "minimal lettuce." He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg.

IDIOT SIGHTING #1:
I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?"

To which I replied, "If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?"

He smiled knowingly and nodded, "That's why we ask."

IDIOT SIGHTING #2:
The stoplight on the corner buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually-challenged coworker of mine when she asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?!"

IDIOT SIGHTING #3:
At a good-bye luncheon for an old and dear co-worker who was leaving the company due to "downsizing," our manager commented cheerfully,

"This is fun. We should do this more often."

Not a word was spoken. We all just looked at each other with that deer-in-the-headlights stare.

IDIOT SIGHTING #4:
When my husband and I arrived at an automobile dealership to pick up our car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door.

As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. "Hey," I announced to the mechanic, "It's open!" To which he replied, "I know, I already got that side."

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Top 10

If men ran the world

Compiled by Joe LaCom

10. Valentine's Day would be moved to February 29th so it would only occur in leap years.
9. The only show opposite "Monday Night Football" would be "Monday Night Football from a Different Camera Angle."
8. Nodding and looking at your watch would be deemed an acceptable response to "I love you."
7. When your girlfriend really needed to talk to you during the geme, she'd appear in a little box in the corner of the screen during a time-out.
6. The funniest guy in the ottice would get to be CEO.
5. People on commercials would never talk about how fresh they felt.
4. Regis and Kathie Lee would be chained to a cement mixer and pushed off the Golden Gate Bridge for the most lucrative pay-per-view event in world history.
3. Stealing a sports car would be perfectly legal, as long as you returned it the following day with a full tank of gas.
2. Tanks wold be easier to rent.
1. Instead of a fancy engagement ring, you could present your wife-to-be with a giant foam hend that said, "You're #1!"

State slogans

Alabama: Yes, We have electricity.
Alaska: 11,623 people can't be wrong!
Arizona: But hey, it's a dry heat.
Arkansas: Literacy ain't everything
California: By 30, Our women have more plastic than your Honda
Colorado: If you don't ski, don't bother.
Connecticut: Like Massachusetts, only the Kennedy's don't own it yet.
Delaware: We really do like the chemicals in our water.
Florida: Ask us about our grandkids
Georgia: We put the "fun" in fundamentalist extremism.
Hawaii: Haka tiki Mou sha'ami leeki toru(death to mainland scum, but leave your money)
Idaho: More than just potatoes.....well okay, we're not.
Illinois: Please don't pronounce the "s".
Indiana: Two billion years tidal wave free
Iowa: We do amazing things with corn.
Kansas: First of the rectangle states.
Kentucky: Five millon people, fifteen last names.
Louisiana: We're not all drunk cajun wackos, but that's our tourism campaign.
Maine: We're really old, but we have cheap lobster.
Maryland: If you can dream it, we can tax it.
Massachusetts: Our taxes are lower than Sweden's(for most tax brackets)
Michigan: First line of defense against Canada.
Minnesota: 10,000 lakes, and 10,000,000,000 mosquitoes.
Mississippi: Come and feel better about your own state.
Missouri: Your federal flood relief tax dollars at work.
Montana: Land of the big sky, the unabomber, right-wing crazies, and very little else
Nebraska: Ask about our state motto contest.
Nevada: Spontanious marriages and poker.
New Hampshire: Go away and leave us alone.
New Jersey: Rrrringght!
New Mexico: Lizards make excellent pets.
New York: You have the right to remain silent, you have the right to an attorney
North Carolina: Tobacco is a vegetable.
North Dakota: We really are one of the fifty states
Ohio: At least we're not Michigan.
Oklahoma: Like the play, only no singing.
Oregon: Spotted owl . . . it's what's for dinner.
Pennsylvania: Cook with coal.
Rhode Island: We're not really an island.
South Carolina: Remember the civil war? We didn't actually surrender.
South Dakota: Closer than North Dakota.
Tennessee: The educashun State
Texas: Hablo Ingles (I speak English)
Utah: Our Jesus is better than your Jesus.
Vermont: Yep.
Virginia: Who says government stiffs and sleekjaw yokels don't mix
Washington: Help! We're overrun by nerds and slackers!
West Virginia: One big happy family ...really.
Wisconsin: Come cut the cheese.

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[I]N THE NEWS

[W]ASHINGTON — Pres[ide]nt Clinton is willing to [me]et separately with Israeli [and] Palestinian leaders at [the] White House if they will [ma]ke efforts on their own to [end] violent uprisings in the [Mid]east. The president said [tha]t in order for him to [ma]ke a fresh attempt at bro[keri]ng a Mideast peace, the [two] sides must show suffi[cie]nt progress toward living [up] to commitments made at [last] week's emergency sum[mit] at Sharm el-Sheik, [Egy]pt, a White House offi[cial] said.

[S]EOUL, South Korea — [Sec]retary of State [Ma]deleine Albright said [We]dnesday that North [Kor]ea must remove linger[ing] uncertainty about its [nucl]ear weapons activities if [effo]rts at accommodation [wit]h the United States are to [succ]eed. There are con[cern]s that Pyongyang may [hav]e stockpiled one or more [wea]pons before a 1994 U.S.-[Nor]th Korean agreement [led] to freeze a suspected [wea]pons program. Albright [was in] Seoul to brief the South [Kor]ean Foreign Minister [Lee] Joung-binn and Japan[ese] Foreign Minister Yohei [Kon]o on her talks in [Py]ongyang.

[B]EIJING — China marked [the] 50th anniversary [We]dnesday of its entrance [int]o the Korean War with [pat]riotic tributes to those [wh]o died and praise for [lon]g overdue" peace over[tur]es between the conflict's [form]er enemies. Members [of] the ruling Communist [Par]ty's inner circle took [par]t in somber ceremonies [in] Beijing and the North [Kor]ean capital of [Py]ongyang — evidence of [the] ties forged fighting [Sou]th Korean and U.S.-led [for]ces in the 1950-53 con[flic]t. In Beijing's Great Hall [of] the People, President [Jia]ng Zemin urged Chinese [see]king to build the country [int]o a new power to draw [insp]iration from the sacri[fic]es made by China's "vol[unt]eer" army in Korea.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — [Cri]me statistics for 6,700 [col]leges and universities are [now] only a click away, [tha]nks to a government [we]b site. The Education [De]partment has for the first [tim]e compiled a central [dat]abase of campus crime [dat]a across the USA. [Be]cause of different report[ing] methods, however, num[ber]s may not be comparable [fro]m campus to campus.

[WE]ATHER

[Co]llegedale's Weather [Fr]iday will be [mo]stly cloudy and [wa]rm with a high of and a low of 52.

[Sa]bbath will be pleasant [wit]h highs in the upper 70's [and] lows in the upper 40's. [Su]nday will be partly sunny [wit]h a high of 71 and a low [of] 44.

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Board approves construction plan

By Cadence Van Dolson
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Board of Trustees voted on a plan to expand Talge Hall and complete the first phase of Southern Village at their retreat in Gallinburg last weekend

Due to an increase in enrollment, many students are living in off-campus homes. As of now, there are 53 men living in Thatcher South, 19 men living in the community and 48 women living in the community.

"Last year our office didn't predict we'd be up 200 students," said Vinita Sauder, vice president for marketing and enrollment. "This is the highest (enrollment) since 1980, which was the peak in our history."

Southern is projecting enrollment to reach 1,950 students in 2001 and 2,250 students by 2010.

"We are predicting a 1.5 percent growth rate each year," Sauder said. "By saying 1.5 percent we are being conservative."

Gordon Bietz, president of Southern, has made it his goal to house everyone aged 23 and younger in university housing in order to maintain a social and spiritual community.

"When you allow students to be where they want, they won't be part of the community experience and might be involved in community experiences we don't approve of," Bietz said.

Bietz presented three housing options to the board at their annual retreat.

The first option would be to only complete phase one of Southern Village, an apartment complex being constructed across from the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church. This would include three apartment buildings and an additional 108 beds if single students are placed there as well. This option is the least expensive in terms of risk and would add flexible space. However, it would be a short-term solution and students would lose some of the residential experience. This option would cost $2.4 million.

The second option would be to complete two phases of Southern Village, adding 216 beds. This option would cost $2.2. million.

The third option, which Bietz and his cabinet recommended, would be to complete phase one of Southern Village and to expand Talge Hall by adding a new wing. The extension will run through the parking lot where the basketball court is. The rooms will be about a block larger than the current rooms and will be suites. There will be a laundry room and lobby area on each floor, an elevator and an apartment on the first floor for a dean. This option would cost $7.5 million

The initial cost of expanding Talge Hall will cost $5,480,170, but the administration plans to work on it in phases, saving $2,019,830.

In order to fund the initial phase of the dorm, the administration requested five years annual union appropriation totaling $2,175,000, a union gift of $1,370,170 over five years, a conference gift of $885,000 over five years and said they would fundraise $1,050,000. This would total $5,480,170.

"We could have built cheap housing that would be covered by rent and fall apart after ten years," Bietz said. "Instead we decided to build it with quality so it will last."

However, along with the board's approval is the stipulation that Southern will arrange financing.

"I think they (the union and conferences) will help some, but I'm not sure how much," Bietz said.

The administration is looking into alternate ways of raising the money, preferably by donations, as to not increase tuition.

Within the next month Bietz will be meeting with people from the conferences to negotiate a funding proposal.

Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer
With secret sevice agents on either side of her, Tipper Gore greets supporters after Monday's rally at Miller Park. Gore visited Chattanooga before joining her husband in Nashville on Tuesday.

Tipper Gore rallies in Chattanooga

Vice president's wife urges support in home state

By Cadence Van Dolson
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Tipper Gore stressed the importance of Tennessee's votes for her husband, Vice President Al Gore, and his running mate, Jospeh Lieberman, at a rally held at Chattanooga's Miller Park on Monday.

"It's important that the Tennessee values can continue to be on the national agenda," Gore said. "It's so important that your voices be represented in that way."

Gore emphasized her husband's accomplishments during his eight years as vice president, which include lowering the crime rate, the African-American and Latino unemployment rate, home ownership and poverty.

"This is no accident," Gore said. "You elected the right people."

But while this is a good base, there is still work to be done, Gore said.

"We've got to keep the poverty level down," she said. "Al has talked about the fact that he's not satisfied yet, that there's more work to be done."

In his campaign, Al Gore is advocating school reform in the forms of a tuition savings plan, smaller classes and increased pay for teachers. He also seeks a middle-class tax cut, increased minimum wage and an equal days pay for an equal days work, Gore said.

"These are the issues that people have been talking about," Gore said. "Al Gore is the only candidate pushing child health care by the year 2005 as the first step in universal health care. This is no accident."

Al Gore and Tex. Gov. George W. Bush are in dead heat as the election reaches its final weeks.

"When I leave you today, I think you're going to say that we're not tied, that we face a clear choice," Tipper Gore urged voters. "We're

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Thatcher fundraises for MS

By Marcella Colburn
GUEST WRITER

Thatcher Hall residents, under the leadership of resident assistant Stacy Tomlinson, held a bake sale on Tuesday to raise money for Multiple Sclerosis

In remembering her grade school MS read-a-thon program, Stacy contacted the MS Society in Chattanooga and was encouraged by Jeanie Brice, an employee at the society, to hold a bake sale.

The bake sale was held from 9 to 5 on Tuesday on the promenade in front of

Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer
Jennifer Williams, senior English and art major, mans the bake sale table in front of the Student Center on Tuesday.

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Senate approves scanner purchase for publications

By Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Student Association Senate voted to purchase a scanner for the Joker office at their Oct. 17 meeting.

"The current scanner [in the Memories office] does not meet publication needs," said Bob Shearer, village senator, who presented the proposal

All four publications–Joker, Accent, Strawberry Festival and Memories–share one scanner. While the new scanner will be placed in the Joker's office, all publications may use it.

The scanner, a Microtek Scanmaker 4 DP, costs about $600. The funding will come from the SA capital improvement fund.

Paul Myers, SA vice president, encouraged senators to submit proposals like Shearer did.

"It's a way to change the campus and possibly affect students and faculty," Myers said.

Myers also encouraged the senators to visit their constituents during the second Senate meeting.

Dave Warden, SA president, reported that 63 percent of students do not know who their senator is, according to an informal poll Warden conducted. He said he randomly asked 100 students around campus at various times to identify their senator. Warden reported that Rob York, Talge Hall senator, was mentioned the most.

"You [senators] are communicators and that is vital," Warden said.

Senator reports were brief, but several senators raised issues their constituents had mentioned.

Manny Bokich, Talge Hall senator, reported that students are frustrated with the lack of available 1-800 lines using Southern's long-distance system. The lack of lines will continue until Information Systems has space in their budget to add more lines. Myers suggested using an online phone company to combat the problem.

Thursday, the senators helped serve the SA promenade supper. Myers had senate shirts available for the senators to wear. The shirts are dark green polo shirts with the SA logo and senator's name.

"We're trying to build a spirit of empowerment," Warden said.

Senators that were absent from the meeting and without a representative were: Brian Arner, Jimmy Carter, Rebekah Jones, Carin Orange, Veliska Perumal and Matt Mundall. This was the second absence by Mundall, Thatcher South's men's senator.

"The senators are really into their work," Warden said. "They are an exciting bunch of senators."

The next Senate meeting is Oct. 31 at 7 p.m. in the seminar room in the student center. All students are welcome to attend.

Sen. Frist speaks in Chattanooga

Incumbent stresses change from "big government"

By Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Sen. Bill Frist emphasized the difference between the presidential candidates and stressed the need for a change from what he calls "big government" during a short speech Wednesday afternoon at Miller Park in downtown Chattanooga.

"It [is] time we restore the honor and dignity to the White House," said Frist, R-Tenn.

Frist said that Democrats such as vice president Al Gore and vice presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman advocate more regulation, but Frist feels otherwise.

"Do we want to let bigger government take our money and spend it the way they want?" Frist asked, amid applause from the audience. "We trust the hard-working Tennesseans out there."

Daniel Olson/Staff Photographer
Sen. Bill Frist speaks to a crowd at Chattanooga's Miller Park Wednesday afternoon.

Frist is seeking reelection to the U.S. Senate against Democratic challenger Jeff Clark. Frist will speak in 27 counties in Tennessee during his 5-day campaign trip.

Frist said that the public service of listening to and caring for people is important. Frist has visited all 95 counties in Tennessee and said he holds town hall meetings to keep in touch with constituents. Frist shook hands and talked with the audience after his 15-minute speech

Phyllis Gardner, a Memphis, Tenn. resident, was very supportive of Frist.

"He was fabulous and I'm behind him 100 percent,"

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counting on you one more time."

Also in attendance were Will Callaway, 3rd congressional candidate; Ward Crutchfield, senate incumbant candidate, Brenda Turner, Arnold Stulce and Tommie Brown, state representative incumbants; Doug Horne, head of the state democratic party; Roy Herron, state senator and statewide director of the Gore/Lieberman campaign; and Max Cleland, Ga. senator.

"Our mission is to carry this state," Horne said. "We're going to work, work, work to carry this state for Al and Tipper Gore."

Cleland also urged voters to place their trust in the democrat candidates.

"One thing we do in the South is take care of our own, especially those who have taken care of us," he said.

The democrats have not been alone campaigning in Chattanooga. Elizabeth Dole visited the scenic city on Monday, October 18 and Sen. Bill Frist spoke at Miller Plaza Wednesday

Cody Van Dolson/Staff Photographer

With Democrat congressional and senate candidates and Democrat Party officials behind her, Tipper Gore spoke to a rousing crowd of over 1,000 people at Miller Park Monday in order to obtain votes from Chattanooga residents in the upcoming election for her husband, Vice President Al Gore.

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the Student Center.

One student who had known a person with MS saw the bake sale and returned with fresh baked cinnamon rolls, just as the girls were running out of food.

"It is almost like the story of the loaves and fishes," Stacy said.

The girls raised $196, which the Thatcher Hall deans matched. Others donated money throughout the day, and over $400 was given to the MS Society in Chattanooga.

MS, as it is commonly known, is a chronic and often disabling disease of the central nervous system that causes nerves to loose their ability to transmit signals. Symptoms range from numbness in the limbs to severe paralysis and loss of vision. According to the National MS Society, people with MS also undergo emotional trauma, mood swings and uncontrolled laughing and crying. There is a medication to stabilize the emotions. The cause of MS is unknown and it is difficult to predict the course that it will take.

Jeanie Brice will speak for Thatcher Hall worship on November 28 to raise awareness for MS.

Stacy would like to thank all those who participated in the bake sale for their hard work and willingness to reach out to those in the community by supporting Multiple Sclerosis.

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Gardner said. "We've been following him across the state."

Randy Upchurch, a Soddy-Daisy, Tenn. resident, liked Frist's comments.

"[Frist said] what I wanted to hear," Upchurch said. "People want change and he's very much in tune with the values in the Tennessee valley."

Country singer Barbara Mandrell introduced Frist and gushed about the senator's accomplishments and qualities.

"Our senator Bill Frist is one of the finest, most intelligent, honest people," Mandrell said, stressing the senator's service.

Mandrell and Frist have worked together to raise awareness of organ donation and held two major fundraisers to benefit transplantation.

Frist is also a former surgeon in Tennessee, and he thanked Mandrell for helping to educate citizens about organ donations.

"God bless him for what he has done," Mandrell said. "He puts people first."

The Miller Park audience of about 100 included several students from Southern and was filled with supporters holding "Frist for Senate 2000" signs as the senator spoke.

Frist reminded the audience of the upcoming election, encouraging them to "get out the vote."

"It is a fundamental question - who do you trust?" Frist asked, as he stood in front of the United States and Tennessee state flags.

"We will restore freedom to the United States."

Daniel Olson/Staff Photographer

Sen. Frist speaks with people at Miller Park in Chattanooga following his speech on Wednesday.

Bush hopes to win Gore's home state

By Cadence Van Dolson
Editor in Chief

KNOXVILLE — Tex. Gov. George W. Bush expressed his plans for the military and the surplus to over 1,000 people for his "Barnstorm for Reform" event at South Doyle Middle School in Knoxville on Tuesday.

Bush focused on his plans for the military, maintaining peace, cutting taxes and medicare.

In order to restore morale, Bush said he would pay the military more.

"You're going to have a Commander in Chief who respects the uniform and who, in turn, earns the respect of those in uniform," he said.

Bush attacked his opponent, Vice President Al Gore, saying that Gore considers the surplus as America's, where Bush considers it the peoples'

"The surplus exists because of the ingenuity of the hard-working people of America," he said.

Bush plans to use 1/4 of the surplus to rebuild the military and keep the peace.

"I want to tell the moms, dads and grandparents here that Dick Cheney and I will do what we can to keep the peace," he said.

Bush proposed to cut taxes for everyone, not just the middle-class, as Al Gore is promoting. People pay more in taxes than for food, clothing and housing combined, Bush said.

According to Bush, at the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles, Gore said he would give tax relief to the "right people."

"That's not how we work," Bush said emphatically. "We think everyone is the "right people."

Bush considers the debt and marriage taxes unfair and said the federal government should not take more than 1/3 of a person's income in taxes.

"Our economy is strong, not only because we are a land of dreamers and doers, but because of President Reagan's tax cuts in the 80's," Bush said.

To a response of cheers, Bush declared that he p[...] to carry Tennessee in [...] election.

"Each person wants [...] carry his home state. I [...] good about Texas," B[...] said "My opponent [...] carry Washington D.C., [...] he won't carry Tennes[...] By November 7, Tenn[...] will be Bush country."

"You've had your c[...] you have not led and [...] will," Bush said to [...] enthused audience, [...] time to get someone [...] there who will get the [...] ples' business done. It's [...] for new leadership in W[...]ington, D.C."

Earlier in the day B[...] spoke at a middle scho[...] Illinois, and in the ev[...] he attended a Victory [...] Rally in Florida.

Cady Van Dolson/Staff Phot[...]

Tex. Gov George W Bush speaks to the crowd Tuesday at his "[...]storm for Reform" event in Knoxville.

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By Garrett Rudd
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th the Sabbath, November 4, deadline for shoebox tion only three weeks several groups and unity members from legedale and Ooltewah ponding on board with ern Adventist Univer-

pouring in.

"I think Operation Christmas Child is a great ministry, and I'm excited about the students getting involved," said Rob Howell, director of public relations. "It's great to see students and staff working together for the benefit of kids who don't normally get to experience Christmas."

Students will be bringing their gift-wrapped, toy-filled shoeboxes to The Third Service in the Hess P.E. Center Gymnasium on Sabbath morning, November 18. Those who do not regularly attend The Third can drop off their shoeboxes at the university public relations office or the chaplain's office in Wright Hall any time before November 18. Shoeboxes can also be dropped off at the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church and Collegedale City Hall.

Among those groups teaming up with Southern in support of Operation Christmas Child are:

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Collegedale SDA Church
Collegedale SDA Church Sabbath Schools
The Third Service
Hamilton Community Church
Bowman Hills SDA Church
Bowman Hills Elementary School

Operation Christmas Child was started in 1993 by Franklin Graham and Samaritan's Purse. Its mission is to collect gift-wrapped shoeboxes filled with children's toys and distribute them around the world to children in wartorn and poverty-stricken countries, making it possible for even the most unfortunate child to experience the miracle of Christmas. Last year alone, more than 3 million shoeboxes were distributed worldwide.

If you are interested in participating in Operation Christmas Child, please contact Garrett Rudd in the public relations office at Southern Adventist University at (423) 238-2480.

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ories she holds a doll from her Christmas box.

n support of Operation as Child. The outministry program was of 10 students at vesion October 6, and have already started

Parking tickets remain subject of controversy

By Rob York
Staff Writer

Campus Safety has long been the subject of strong opinions at Southern, and this year is no exception.

Some students think positively about Campus Safety.

"As a village student I appreciate them for keeping parking available to us exclusively," said Wes Hall, junior communications major.

Others do not have positive regards for Campus Safety.

Dan Kuntz, senior biology major, believes that there needs to be more of a warning system.

"The city police give out a warning to offenders and keep record of it before giving out tickets. What makes Southern Adventist University any different?" Kuntz said.

Troy Ondrizek, sophomore history major added, "You know how citizens can give a citizens arrest if a cop is breaking the law? If a Campus Safety officer is violating the rules, we should be able to ticket them."

Eddie Avant, director of Campus Safety, says that 2,600 tickets have been written since January. These tickets raised $19,600 in revenue last year alone. Avant said.

"The most common type of ticket is failure to display a hang tag. After that, you've got parking in undesignated spots, faculty lots and fire lanes."

And, since there are 2,500 registered vehicles on campus and 1,600 available parking spots, a parking shortage seems inevitable. Avant said.

Some students pay their tickets while others do not, Avant said.

Many students go through the appeals process, while many wait for the ticket to be doubled and be added to the school bill.

"I've gotten complaints about not meeting every student in person to deal with their appeals. But there is a time frame preceding that, and it's too much of an emotional issue for the students. They don't want to pay, and they won't take no for an answer."

While he can't meet everyone in person who has a ticket, he does involve the students in the process.

Paul Myers, the Student Association executive vice-president, selects two students to review the tickets when appeal do comes up every Thursday. They vote on whether the fine stands, and Avant only votes to break a tie.

Past members of the appeals committee asked to remain anonymous but did offer their opinion of the committee.

"I believe this is the first year students have been involved, and I think it makes the process more fair for them," one member said.

Another member added, "Students can know that they have a voice in the process, and that's good to know."

Although it seems as if Campus Safety tickets cars constantly, according to Avant three or four times as many tickets could be given that aren't.

"There is no quota on how many tickets have to be given and our officers are trained to be consistent," Avant said. "Every student who gets a ticket thinks they should be given a warning. Life's not like that."

World War II European study tour summer 2001

Professor Craig Hadley of the History Department will be offering a World War II study tour to Europe the first summer session of 2001. The 3-hour credit course will begin with 5 days of classes in which surviving veterans and holocaust survivors come into the class and tell of their experiences during the war. It will also include artifacts and tours of private collections. The class will then depart for England on May 22rd. Once there, the class will tour sites in and around London related to the war from Churchill's bunker to the Imperial War Museum. From there the class will travel to mainland Europe and visit the beaches of Normandy where D-Day took place. They will then follow the Allied campaign through strategic areas of France all the way to Paris. From Paris, the tour will then proceed to Belgium and study the famous "Battle of the Bulge", proceeding then to Germany where the class will tour Berlin, Spandau Prison and the infamous Concentration camp Buchenwald. A total of 15 days in Europe will make up this tour with the class returning to the United States on June 6.

The total cost for the tour comes to $2445.00, plus tuition, which is discounted to 2/3rds cost. Both lower and upper division level credit is available as well as financial aid if they meet various criteria. However, students can opt to simply take the tour without credit and simply pay the tour costs. This tour is also being made available to alumni as well. A $200 deposit is required by January 31, 2001 and the balance of the tour costs by March 30. The tour costs include airfare, 1st class hotels, bus, all breakfast meals and most dinners as well as museum entrance and tour fees.

If you have any questions regarding this tour or want more information, please contact Professor Craig Hadley at craighadley@tak.com or you may call him at (423) 954-2831.

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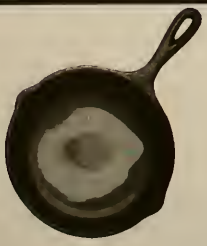

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Science

Thursday, October 26, 2000

Doctors disagree about existence of disorder termed 'Internet Addiction'

By Alex Weininger
DAILY COLLEGIAN

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa (U-WIRE) — With the Internet becoming an ever-present factor in the lives of students around the world, psychologists and psychiatrists have found a new obsession and termed it "Internet Addiction."

Dr Kimberly Young, executive director of the Center for On-Line Addiction and the pioneer for early research into the problem, became interested in the disorder after complaints from a female friend who told Young about her husband's obsession with chat rooms.

Young's main study looked at 496 heavy Internet users and compared their behavior to the clinical criteria used to classify gambling. Gambling is considered the closest type of addiction to online addiction because it involves failed impulse control without involving an intoxicant.

Young found that people who have "Internet Addiction" met four or more of the established criteria and found college students to be particularly at risk.

"They typically have unlimited and free access to going online, which causes problems such as academic failure in school and relationship breakups," Young said.

And although Young's study received much praise from various psychiatric and psychological organizations, it has received considerable criticism about whether or not "Internet Addiction" actually exists.

Dr. Ivan Goldberg, a New York City-based psychiatrist, is one of Young's most vehement critics and said that Young's definition of the disorder does not address some of the underlying factors that might cause someone to use the Internet often and compulsively. He also said "Internet Addiction" is not a disorder.

Goldberg has a special connection to the controversy surrounding "Internet Addiction" because he created a "Symptoms of Internet Addiction" Web site in an attempt to poke fun at the guidelines the DSM-IV psychiatric diagnosis manual uses to identify certain disorders.

Goldberg posted fictitious symptoms of "Internet Addiction" on his site.

Expecting a few laughs from colleagues over his bogus diagnosis, he instead received streams of e-mails from concerned people, claiming to have the disorder.

Goldberg said being addicted to the Internet could be a sign of other problems such as depression or over-anxiety, but labeling a symptom hides its origins.

Goldberg disagrees with Young's research and conclusion about "Internet Addiction," but helps people who come to him with the problem find the underlying causes for their over-indulgence of the Internet.

"The Internet is a distraction technique that has some pleasure attached to it," Goldberg said.

William Ray, a psychology professor at Penn State said he is unsure of what constitutes "Internet Addiction" as an actual disorder.

"Usually, there's some physical consequence for not continuing the behavior. Some kind of withdrawal," Ray said.

And although there is doubt about the existence of "Internet Addiction," some universities across the country aren't taking any chances.

The University of Maryland has a support group for compulsive Internet users called "Caught in the Net." The University of Oregon also offers a support group for uncontrollable users.

"We're also starting to ask people, in assessment, how much time they spend eating, sleeping and on the Internet," said Rhoda Trietsch, associate director of the counseling center at University of Maryland.

Trietsch also said she thinks many of the problems students come to her and her staff with are the result of interaction in chat rooms

"When people are talking about falling behind, not going to classes and losing motivation, we ask them about their Internet use and much of it has to do with chat rooms," Trietsch said.

As for Penn State, Mary Anne Knapp, outreach coordinator at Counseling and Psychological Services, said although there is no support group exclusively for people who feel they are addicted to the Internet, students can join other addiction support groups to discuss their problem

"We do see people who have a problem with the Internet, but we mostly see it in the form of depression," Knapp said.

And though controversy remains regarding "Internet Addiction," Young said that both the American Psychiatric Association and the American Psychological Association support her finding that the problem is indeed an addiction.

"As the Internet rapidly expands into our daily lives, this opens an important dialogue so that we may establish an appropriate health care infrastructure to prevent and treat the problem," Young said.

Top 10 excuses for being late to Hickman

By Keith Pulfer

10. "Microbes invaded my body momentarily."
9. "d = v/t t = 10 minutes, d = distance from Brock"
8. "I had to finish the 18th hole."
7. "alarmClock.volume != insufficient"
6. "I was diffusing dangerous wastes from an area of higher concentration to an area of lower concentration."
5. "I was practicing writing incorrect prescriptions."
4. "My dog ate me."
3. "I was doing titrations in my room."
2. "self.motivation = NULL;"
1. "I was reading the Accent!"

Eating disorders rise among men

By Benjamin Griffiths
THE DAILY UNIVERSE

PROVO, Utah (U-WIRE)— Eating disorders are usually identified with the female gender, but new evidence suggests incidents involving men are on the rise.

The familiar stereotypes of anorexia (self-starvation caused by an irrational weight concern) and other eating disorders have long been attributed to females. Men are not usually recognized as being obsessively concerned with how much they weigh

However, approximately ten percent of all eating disorders in the U.S. involve men, according to Eating Disorders Awareness and Prevention Organization in Seattle.

Thomas Holbrook, director of the eating disorder center at Rogers Memorial Hospital in Oconomowoc, Wis., and recovering anorexic, recently released a book, "Making Weight-Men's Conflicts with food, weight, shape, and appearance."

A recent study asserts that the numbers may be closer to one in six.

"That is probably a better picture. We don't know if the number itself is increasing Perhaps men are simply more willing to talk about it," Holbrook said in a recent interview.

Media has often been cited as a cause of female eating disorders, setting an ideal standard for women in weight, body-shape and image, but does that affect men as well?

"The physical standards are becoming just as impossible for men as they are for women," said Dr. Arnold Andersen, director of the eating disorders program at the University of Iowa College of Medicine, an expert on male eating disorders.

Pam Kidd, a counselor at the Center for Change, said, "There is a definite increase in the frequency of eating disorders. More people are trying to achieve the look exemplified by media models."

Dr. Anderson said his latest research on young men reveals that around 80 percent are dissatisfied with their bodies. "Half want to bulk up, and half want to lose," he said.

Dan Callister, 22, an Econ major at Brigham Young University, said, "I think that a better build will catch a girl's eye. It definitely makes an impression."

"I'm sure that bigger guys get noticed more," said Trevor Uenham, 22, an Econ major from Glendale, CA.

Corinne Campbell, 18, from Tulsa, Okla., majoring in pre-speech pathology, and Reilly Schaler, an 18-year-old pre-broadcast journalism major from Delano, Calif., both gave their opinions.

"It affects a first impression if a guy is more toned and wears a tight shirt," said Campbell.

"To like a guy, there needs to be an initial attraction,"said Schafer.

However, both girls said after first impressions, impressing a girl is strictly a matter of personality.

Depression affects men differently than women; cultural expectations explain

By Denise Mann
WebMD MEDICAL NEWS

Oct. 10, 2000 — Henry gets so agitated in traffic that his face turns red and he punches the steering wheel.

Marc comes home from a hard day's work and drinks a six-pack of Budweiser — every night.

Ken, who has been on disability for six months, watches television all day long, barely speaking to anyone.

Bill smokes more marijuana now than he did when he was in high school 20 years ago.

What these men have in common was once thought of as almost exclusively a women's problem, but depression affects both sexes. It can just manifest itself differently in men, according to a California psychologist and author. While women may cry, become withdrawn, and gain or lose weight, men may abuse alcohol or drugs, work or eat excessively, and/or become violent to themselves or others, among other things.

Affecting approximately 19 million Americans, depression clearly takes its toll on both sexes. The toll is physical as well as mental: A recent study of Johns Hopkins medical students found that depressed men were twice as likely as their non-depressed counterparts to develop heart disease or die suddenly because of heart problems.

But even though 80% of people who seek help will get relief from medication, therapy, or a combination of the two, just one in three people actually seek help, according to the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Md.

And most of them are women. Because many men are brought up to believe that expressing emotion is largely a feminine trait, half as many men as women seek psychotherapy or are diagnosed with depression. This may be one of the reasons that, according to unpublished CDC findings, men in the U.S. are about four times more likely than women to commit suicide.

"We are brought up with a code that says if one shows these feelings or acts in a vulnerable way, then he is weak, a sissy, or a girl," Fred Rabinowitz, PhD, professor of psychology at the University of Redlands in Redlands, Calif., tells WebMD

The stigma associated with male depression must be removed so men can get the help they need, Rabinowitz says. He and Sam Cochran, PhD, the director of clinical services at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, are the authors of the book, Men and Depression. Clinical and Empirical Perspectives.

"Some researchers believe that women are more prone to depression biologically, more oppressed in society, and thus experience more depression," Rabinowitz tells WebMD. This same thinking, he says, holds that women "tend to be more ruminating than men, and thus more likely to focus on and talk about depressing ideas, and are permitted by society to express feelings like sadness and emotional pain — unlike men, who must keep it hidden.

"Our take on why men show up less depressed is that men are not likely to show typical depression symptoms like crying, sadness, loss of will, verbalization of suicide intent. Instead, men are likely to keep it hidden, like they do most of the time with most feelings. Thus, others are unable to tell if a man is depressed or not."

Men at risk for depression and/or suicide include those who are feeling like they aren't measuring up any more, who feel physically weaker, sense that their lives no longer have outlets for pleasure, or who have experienced a personal loss.

"One of the biggest triggers is loss, especially of a relationship that has been supportive and sustaining," Rabinowitz tells WebMD. "Many men, when they lose their fathers or partners, experience a grief that is more debilitating than expected."

For example, a man going through a divorce may feel sorry for himself, drink too much and feel isolated from friends and family. At work, he may do his job, crack jokes and be one of the guys. But "when he gets home, he sits in front of a television, drinks and eats too much, and harbors private thoughts of anger that he can not fully express," Rabinowitz says.

Another trigger of depression is physical illness such as cancer or heart disease, he says, because illness is a direct attack on a man's sense of virility, strength and self-definition.

Unfortunately, like depression, therapy also is often seen as feminine, he says. "It involves verbalizing emotions and talking about problems, which is more common for women to do with same-gender friends," Rabinowitz says. "On the other hand, boys and men tend to be less verbal and more uncomfortable in deep relationships."

Redford Williams, MD, director of the Behavioral Medicine Research Center at Duke University Medical School in Durham, N.C., and the author of Anger Kills and Life Skills, puts it this way: "Men are taught to be in control from the very beginning and are more likely than women to express anger, while women are more likely to hold anger in and get depressed."

It's harder for men to admit they are depressed because to do so would be to admit they were out of control, Williams tells WebMD.

Anyone who thinks a man they're close to may be depressed should "provide a safe place and encourage the man to talk about his feelings and be more constructive and less destructive," he suggests.

Rabinowitz agrees, adding that men must learn to live with their limitations.

"Too often, we compare ourselves to the best in whatever we are doing. If I always compare myself to Tiger Woods, I am likely to never feel good about my golf game," he says. "It is also important for men to realize that it is normal to feel down or low, and rather than run from it by using distraction, alcohol or some addictive substance or activity, try to listen to what the emotion is telling you."

If men learn to accept that they are human beings with strengths, weaknesses, and doubts, they are likely to be more accepting of themselves and others, and less prone to depression, he says.

For more information from WebMD, visit our Diseases and Conditions Center on Depression.

Physicist questions quantum theory

By Keith Pulfer
TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

British physicist Humphrey Maris thinks he can prove that electrons can be cut in half, a claim that, if proved to be true, would derail quantum theory. After recently publishing and presenting his hypothesis, Maris expected an immediate backlash of disproving evidence and research. Instead, he was greeted with an uneasy silence. Most physicists are skeptical about Maris' claim, but none of them have provided conclusive evidence that disproves it.

Maris' theory is based on properties of the electron's wave function. According to quantum theory, this wave function can be used to obtain any necessary information about the electron, including its probable location. In a low-energy state, the electron's path can be said to be in a spherical shape. The next higher energy shape is similar to a dumb-bell. This is where Maris realized that an electron might be divided, by pulling the two large ends of the dumb-bell apart, thus halving the electron into what he calls "electrinos".

Cute names aside, Maris' research is based on several years of research and involves many previously unexplained scientific experiments. These experiments all involved creating electron "bubbles" which flowed through liquid helium (Maris' specialty) and were timed for flow rate. The bubbles flowed at different rates - something that cannot be explained by anyone other than Maris He claims they were in different energy states, and thus the ones that had been split into fractions of a whole flowed faster than those that remained intact did. He also used mathematics to represent his theory.

If proved true, Maris' findings could result in better electrical circuits, "new" chemistry, teleportation, quantum computing, and other such fields of interest.

In the meantime, Maris will be performing many experiments in an attempt to prove his theory, and while the skeptics are plentiful, none of them have produced a good reason as to why it should not work. While Maris' theory may be disproved, he says, "I want people to think. I would be happy if I was completely wrong but made a lot of people think."

If you would like to write for the science section, email jcwasmer@southern.edu or kapulfer@southern.edu.

The Southern Accent

Sports

Thursday, October 26, 2000

Letter from the all-knowing editor

Please do not take me seriously. It is all fun, and it is meant to be humorous.

Morgan Rochenower

Minn. women's hockey team second after season's first week

By Monica Wright
MINNESOTA DAILY

MINNEAPOLIS (U-WIRE) - If a firstever NCAA Tournament this season and six new teams created since Minnesota's inception in 1997 are any indication, women's hockey is growing faster than one of Nadine Muzerall's slapshots.

Further proof lies in the change brewing out East as the Eastern College Athletic Conference announced plans to divide its existing thirteen-team conference into two separate leagues at both the Division I and III levels.

The ECAC Division I – of which Minnesota plays five non-conference games against various teams this season – will break down into two unnamed conferences similar to their male counterparts for the 2001-2002 season.

The first conference will be comprised of Brown, Harvard, Cornell, Princeton, Yale, St. Lawrence, Dartmouth, and the formerly Division III Colgate.

The second conference will house Boston College, Northeastern, Niagara, Maine, New Hampshire and Providence.

RECORDS AND ROOKIES

The Gophers swept the first round of WCHA player honors as junior Laura Slominski took player of the week and freshman La Toya Clarke received rookie of the week.

Slominski's point-scoring tirade began Saturday with two assists in the 4-1 win against St. Cloud State and wrapped up Sunday with a school record three power-play goals to defeat the Huskies 5-4.

Slominski, who led the nation last year in short-handed points and assists, is only four points away from reaching 100 for her career.

Clarke had a hand in five of the Gophers' nine goals this weekend, and assisted on all of Slominski's and senior Ambria Thomas' goals. Clarke leads the rookies in points with five.

With five different Gophers netting goals this weekend – a switch from last season's typical lone scorer up front – Slominski joked that the game showed a change from the past.

"This season we like to spread it around," she said.

GOPHERS IN SECOND

The first polls of the 2000-2001 season came out Monday, putting Minnesota (2-0) second behind Dartmouth (0-0), with Minnesota-Duluth (2-0), Brown (0-0) and Harvard (0-0) rounding out the top five.

The only other WCHA team to make the poll besides the two Minnesota teams was Wisconsin (2-0) in tenth place.

Light sports

By Morgan Rochenower
SPORTS EDITOR

Once again I've been blown away that there are teams winning. I would've thought that there would have been some ties, huh. There was plenty of reason to cheer. For the losers, they all played hard, and if they had given heart and hustled points, they would have won. Oh well.

Game updates

Dunkel 21 vs. Stuart 20

Team Dunkel was playing without their starting quarterback John Appel, which meant that Eric Dunkel would have to step up.

Dunkel didn't have too hard of a time finding his favorite target of the night, Derek Nutt, who caught a couple touchdown passes, and ran some of them in for touchdowns. Dunkel was being harassed all night at QB, getting sacked numerous times, and not finding his receivers in time.

Chad Stuart's receivers were making him look good all night; he did make some nice throws though. He connected with Scott Callender for a long gain. Late in the game Dietrich's fingers hit Stuart's arm and he was injured for the remainder of the game. But in the end Team Dunkel was down by a touchdown and Dunkel found Mark Dietrich in the end zone, and the extra point was won

Watson 28 vs. Birch 18

The one thing that amazes me about Team Birch is how much speed they have on their team. It doesn't seem fair. But with the help of Benjie Musson and his superior flag pulling ability, Team Watson was going to make a game of it.

Team Birch seemed to have the right game plan, beat them with speed, but every time Donald Bennett would get a short pass and be rounding the corner, he would slip. The fields are really hard and his cleats just weren't gripping.

Matt Nafie who is a tad bit slow, but makes up for it by being smart evaded the rushers all night, and was able to find Bryce Redding, Royce Brown and Benjie Musson for big gains.

On one of the last plays of the game, Demetrius Birch lined up as receiver with Donald Bennett at QB. As soon as the ball was hiked, Birch was gone, and the ball was thrown deep towards the end zone, and Birch ran right under it for the touchdown. It was a great play in a losing effort.

Nudd 22 vs. T. Nudd 20

A little sibling rivalry, which son does the parent cheer for? And who comes away with the girl?

All these questions were answered, except for about the parents. And Brandon already has a girlfriend, so that's really not fair for Tabor.

Hamilton 39 vs. Johnson 25

This game looked like a blow out, but it actually was close until the last few minutes.

The sun was bright and it was hard to catch and throw without your eyes burning. Hamilton scored first and took the early lead. He was able to pick the secondary apart, finding mismatches and keeping Johnson back peddling. Team Johnson scored on a deep throw to Dustin Hackleman. And it was tight from then on to half time.

The game was tight all the way to the wire. With a little over two minutes left Johnson had the ball on Hamilton's own 10 yard line, the score 25-33 in favor of Hamilton, and failed to score. Johnson threw an interception and they ran it back for a touchdown.

Game predictions

Stuart vs. Birch

This is going to be Team Birch's coming out party. I look to see them beat Team Stuart with their speed. It will be close early but the final score will be 24-7.

Dunkel vs. Watson

Both teams are undefeated, and Dunkel will have his starting quarterback, but the offense won't decide this game; both teams have great defense, and whoever can control the line of scrimmage will win. Dunkel 21-20

Johnson vs. Nudd

This is a game between first and second place teams. Nudd is coming off a close game against T. Nudd, and looks a little sloppy. Johnson is coming off a loss, and is looking to get back on track. Look for Johnson to score early. Johnson 24-20

RA's vs. Castleberg

Castleberg just came off a win against team Knutson. And the RA's are coming off a loss. Look for both teams to be aggressive. I'm picking the RA's because they have a lot of people to sub in and out, to keep them fresh.

DeGrave vs. Lemon

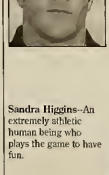
Team Lemon is looking to get on a streak and I hate to say it, but team DeGrave should be the team to get them going. Lemon 28-14.

Oh yeah...!

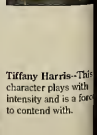
Best-looking athletes

Cort Summerville--A fundamentally sound player who always finds holes in the defense.

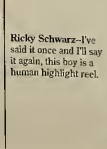
Laura Lee--This girl is a human wrecking ball and doesn't like to lose.



Mark Dietrich--A lethal pass rusher who can change the face of the game.



Sandra Higgins--An extremely athletic human being who plays the game to have fun.



Tiffany Harris--This character plays with intensity and is a force to contend with.

Ricky Schwarz--I've said it once and I'll say it again, this boy is a human highlight reel.

Top plays of the week

5.Demetrius Birch running down a bomb for a touchdown.

4.Nick Anderson swivel hipping his way to the endzone, making Team Keaton miss him.

3.Derek Nutt and his outstanding play at receiver against team Birch and Stuart.

2.Eric Dunkel stretching out to get Demetrius' flag.

1.Ricky Schwarz and his unreal rushing speed.

Overall MVP watch

Bryce Redding--He was a force in softball and is a solid football player.

Derek Nutt--He was solid in softball, and is playing like a madman in football.

Ricky Schwarz--An outstanding third baseman, and an unreal offensive threat at wide out.

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Prosser's People

meet people you might not know

By Judy Prosser
STAFF WRITER

I would like to take you a journey, a journey ere no man has been fore (except from 12:00 - 10.00 p.m. M-F). It is ourney taken by 9 beauti-

ck) Jerilyn Sharpe, Alicia Lane, Emilie Wilson, Judy Prosser, Jeni Deavers
nt) Carin Orange, Denise Edwards, Tabitha Witlow
t pictured) Vasti Pica

l young ladies who were ken from the dorm and put a home together. A jour- ey of bonding through rain, rough shine, through a zillion house movies and rough late night chats eni, quit keeping us up te) :)

Join us in our quest to onquer the unknown, to uench our thirst for knowl- dge, to watch as many movies as humanly possible in a 48-hour period.

Read on to see who gets kicked out first...

Carin Orange - Senior Non-Profit Management

Jeni Deavers - Senior Mass Communication with Advertising

Emilie Wilson - Senior English

Dennis Edwards - Junior Biology

Alicia Lane - Senior Med Tech

Tabitha Whitlow - Junior Education Psychology

Judy Prosser - who?

Vasti Pica - Community Counseling

Jerilyn Sharpe - Nursing 2

What store would you like to have a shopping spree at? **Vasti:** JCPenny, **Emilie:** Old Navy and REI

One luxury item you'd like to add to the house - **Carin:** a chandelier in my room and a while grand piano with a guy in a tux playing, 24/7; **Emilie:** a Jacuzzi; **Denise:** a shower would be nice, or a C N' D show bar

In 5 years you'll be **Emilie:** in Africa; **Tabitha:** snorkeling in Australia (with Judy right?)

Guilty Pleasure - **Jeni:** Eddy's Rocky Road ice cream; **Carin:** egg & cheese buns at the CK make life worth living

Which character on Gilligan's Island are you the most like - **Alicia:** Gilligan because if we're stuck on an island I was 100% responsible and if anyone gets hurt, I had something to do with it; **Emilie:** Gilligan because I am always messing something up because I'm klutzy; **Tabitha:** Gilligan because I'm a klutz (need I say more about our house)

Best thing about being in the house - **Tabitha:** no deans (you're not going to put that in are you); **Emilie:** 24 hour access to Carin's tiara

Your heroes in real life - **Judy:** my mom for being my best friend, my dad for being my hero and Ken Rogers for giving me a raise.) (I try)

Phrase least likely to hear in the house - **Jeni:** "oopsy-daisey" **Anonymous:** "it's getting late boys, could you go home now" **Alicia:** "I'll clean it" **Denise:** "I wish the deans would come over"

Movie that makes you cry every time - **Carin:** "Charlotte's Web"

Best CD - **Carin:** Fiona Apple & Willie Nelson; **Judy:** "Campus Ministries sing the blues" and "A Country Christmas with Ken Rogers" get your copy now!

Most embarrassing moment - **Jerilyn:** I was getting out of a car and I forgot that I had unbuttoned my skirt and halfway across the parking lot my skirt fell down

Klutsiest thing you've ever done - **Tabitha:** ran into a barn and almost got blinded by a shingle

What you wanted to be as a child - **Carin:** astronaut, missionary and Disney employee

Goofiest thing you believed as a child - **Jeni:** that my parents were actually going to sell me to the gypsies, **Alicia:** when it rained and thundered, God was bowling; **Denise:** when I was 5 I thought I could actually fly out the window and land in my little kitty pool but I soon learned that I couldn't :(

What class do you think Southern should add to the curriculum - **Anonymous:** 101 uses for the prayer garden

Dream Career - **Vasti:** counselor for adolescents/young adults; **Carin:** tooth fairy

Worst habit: **Jerilyn:** talking to myself

If you were an action hero - **Judy:** MacGyver's heroic partner (what, you didn't see those episodes?) or Jackie Chan's prodigy (along with "Bruce Lee" & "Sumi Harakawa")

If a movie was made of your life, who would play you - **Jerilyn:** Meg Ryan or Julia Roberts because they can play strong women figures

* Tennessee State Law states that if there are more than 8 women in a house, it is considered a "brothel."

Disclaimer to the deans: please disregard anything in the above article as the truth. Boys are bad.

Recommended Roadtrip

By Miko Hogan
GUEST WRITER

What do you get when you combine an ice-cream parlor and a coffee house? Well, you get the newest spot in town, Udder Creamery & Caffé. Opened two weeks ago, by Chattanoogans Tim Corbin and Jack LaMar, this unique super-premium ice cream and micro-roasted coffee shop located by the new Target, it is a great place to check out.

Jen Wearner/Staff Photographer
The owner of Udder Creamery and Caffe makes ice cream for a customer.

They make all the ice-cream in the store. The ice-cream is very smooth due the "low volume of air" but, what matters is the stuff is good, real good

But there is a trick to ordering your ice-cream. All the favors are plain, without anything such as nuts, chocolate or cookie dough in them. You get to decide what goes in your ice-cream; from a huge selection of candy bars to fresh fruit, they have it all. So, you just pick a flavor and what you want in it. Then comes the best part, they put the ice cream and the "mix-in" on a frozen slab and you get to watch them hand mix your special combination. This process keeps the ice cream colder and "mix-ins" fresher.

Besides ice-cream they offer a wide selection of shakes, smoothies, sundaes, frappes, cookies, brownies and Mrs. LaMar's homemade Derby Pie. Then there is the coffee shop with choices from Caffé Lattes to Hot Cocoa and everything inbetween. Coffee man Tim Corbin honestly knows his stuff when comes to coffee. He can tell you anything there is to know about the beans. It is a great place to kick it up and enjoy a treat while soaking in the "cow theme" interior. And it's nice to know that the people who own the place are behind the counter most likely serving up your order. These are great people who strive to honor and acknowlege God in everything they do. And I'm sure you will find them to be true Christians if you get a chance to talk with them. So the next time your wondering where to go and what to do here's your answer:

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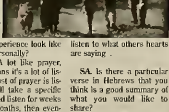
Words from Michael Card



By Jennifer Wearner
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Southern Accent: Your ...ly released CD is "Soul ...chor", are most of your ...coming concerts based ...ound this new recording?

Michael Card: Numeri...lly and percentage wise, ...ring the concerts, there ...ll be a few songs from ...me other albums (choos...g from about 20 other ...cords). The particular ...eme of this new CD is ...pe. I spent 3 years study...g Hebrews and the songs ...re derived from texts in this ...ok.

SA: People who have ...ver been to a concert of ...urs, or never heard your ...usic, what impression of ...e ministry and music will ...ey have after going?

MC: Some will say it's ...e best thing they ever ...ard, or it could be the ...orst thing. What we are ...oing is really something ...mple. It's not a loud flashy ...ow with a lot of lights. Just ...mple, very acoustic, with focus on Christ. Those who aren't interested in focusing on the life of Jesus won't like it.

SA: What about people who have been going to your concerts since the beginning, 1981, and have heard you in concert hundreds of times?

MC: Hundreds? <laughs> Well, after seeing me that many times I think they would get tired of it. I have met people who have been to 20 or 30 shows and still think they are gluttons for punishment! The people will hear songs that resonate from their past, familiar songs, and then some new sounds also.

SA: Are there any songs that you never get tired of performing?

MC: Oh, yes. Emmanuel, New Jerusalem (which we probably won't be playing at any of the shows) and a benediction, Grace be to You All, which we end with.

SA: What does the song writing experience look like for you personally?

MC: A lot like prayer, which means it's a lot of listening. Most of prayer is listening. I'll take a specific passage and listen for weeks or even months, then eventually I hear a song. It puzzles me, though, the songwriting keeps getting harder and harder. You would think after doing it this many years, it would become easier.

SA: After all these years in this type of music ministry, how do you feel you are being taught in your life right now?

MC: For years the man I was discipled by would always tell me the best way to show someone you love them is to listen to them. I ignored his words for years, now I am finally seeing the truth in that wisdom. I have been married for 20 years and have four children, and am seeing that the best way truly to convey love to your family is simply to sit and listen to them. I am learning to listen to what others hearts are saying.

SA: Is there a particular verse in Hebrews that you think is a good summary of what you would like to share?

MC: 6:19. Hope is the anchor for our souls. Hebrews is a sermon written to people that were about to be thrown to the lions. They were being persecuted for their faith. You don't write a complicated book to people being persecuted, you write to them to encourage them. That is what these songs are about, they are simple, not complicated, and meant to encourage.

Michael Card in concert
October 28, 2000
for more information:
Memorial Auditorium
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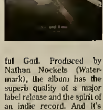
Nickel and Dime: When You Come Around

Since 1995, Nickel & Dime has sold 20,000 albums, played over 100 shows a year, and developed their own brand of all-original "art songs that are worship." This album feels like one of their intense live shows, as they harness the power of sing-along choruses and rock 'n' roll music–electric guitars, bass, drums–to involve their listeners and worship a power-



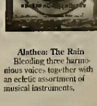
ful God. Produced by Nathan Nockels (Watermark), the album has the superb quality of a major label release and the spirit of an indie record. And it's more than an album, it's an instrument of worship.

Recommended for fans of Black Crowes, Third Day, Tonic, Tom Petty

Builder: Spring Sprang Sprung

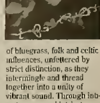
On their recent release Spring Sprang Sprung, members of the band Builder carved out a niche for themselves in the form of edgy roots-rock tunes graced with playfully jazzy touches. Sprinkled here and there with lighter numbers, this album pulsates with raw introspection etched out in naked, raspy vocals supported by the underpinnings of a wailing electric guitar, rhythmic percussion, the frolicking antics of the Hammond B3 organ, and the occasional interjection of smooth, harmonious female backup vocals. Tackling everything from the intricacies of relationships to difficult spiritual musings and realizations, Builder debuts as a thoughtful and thought-provoking musical act, displaying vulnerability through lyric and lilting vocal expression alike.

Recommended for fans of Fastball, Son Volt, The Black Crowes



Alathea: The Rain

Blending three harmonious voices together with an eclectic assortment of musical instruments, Alathea has tapped into a sound and an energy all their own. Characterized by spirited jaunts and whispered lullabies, this album rings and echoes with hints



of bluegrass, folk and celtic influences, unfettered by strict distinction, as they intermingle and thread together into a unity of vibrant sound. Through intimate verse and intricate execution, these three young women expose their souls and invite us to join with them as we meander the recesses of their fears, doubts and infinite hope. The Rains will fall fresh on your ears, clearing the mud from your eyes, stinging the skin of indifference, and splashing joy into the dry, cracked corners of your soul.

Recommended for fans of: Jonah Werner, Rich Mullins, Mitch McVicker, The Dixie Chicks

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EDITORIALS

Help fund new dorm housing

Southern's Board of Trustees has voted to build a new wing onto Talge Hall and complete the first phase of Southern Village. However, with a projected cost of $9.4 million for the project, there still remains a question of funding.

Southern's administration is taking a proactive approach to avoiding further housing headaches with the hope that the school will continue its current growth trend. It is a positive reflection on the Seventh-day Adventist church as whole when enrollment swells and the school achieves new growth rates. The school cannot continue to grow, however, unless there is room for added numbers of students to live.

The solution to paying for the expensive but necessary housing expansions does not lie in raising tuition, and administration has said that it is committed to avoiding this method. SAU President Gordon Bietz said he will be appearing before conference leaders in the Southern Union within the next month to request funding for the expanded housing costs.

Southern Adventist University is an integral part of the Southern Union, and as such, deserves Union aid in this vital extension project. It is highly appropriate for the Southern Union to step in and provide monetary support to ensure that students are not turned away from a Christian education because of a lack of living space.

The housing plan accepted by the Board of Trustees would provide an almost immediate solution to the current strain, with the Southern Village being completed by next school year, and the Talge Hall expansion being complete within 16 to 18 months. With the appropriate financial support, Southern will have room for the explosive growth that is sure to continue in following years.

If you wish to see the Southern Union support Southern Adventist University in its plan for expanding campus living facilities, contact your local conference office. You will be helping to keep tuition costs down for students and enabling Southern to continue its pattern of growth.

Your duty is to vote

The Accent must duly note the final days of America's presidential elections, and in doing so, would like to take a summarized look at why Americans vote and who for, in both the past and the present.

Many people, especially college-age voters, are turning to late-night comedians or so-called "anti-political" ads, which they hope will help them decide for whom they should vote for Vice-President Al Gore (D-TN) or Governor George W. Bush (R-TX).

Once, it was pretty easy.

If you were rich or aspired to richness or descended from veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic and were respectable Protestants, you voted Republican, no questions asked.

Blue-collar/union workers, ethnic minorities, and lower-paid individuals, wanting more money from the wealthy, voted Democrat, the legacy of ambitious ward bosses, often Irish, who handed out jobs and other spoils to help assimilate them into American life. This is why Joe Lieberman is the Democratic candidate for vice president.

All across the South after the Civil War, white people preferred a bad case of chicken pox to a Republican at election time, one reason wealthy families such as the Gores became prominent and powerful Democrats. Republicans were outcasts until Democrats John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson began pushing for civil rights for African-Americans. No white Southerner anguished about voting Democrat until then.

Never one to avoid political opportunism, Richard M. Nixon began picking off the South for Republicans as effectively as Gen. William T. Sherman led his army of Unionist Midwesterners through Georgia. It is a great political irony that the Party of Lincoln provided refuge for white Southern descendants of the fallen states of the Confederacy.

Now we have all manner of Independents wringing their hands every four years, greedily looking for the much-hyped attention given them by pollsters and the media. Of course, they don't turn to mythical dieties for help, although Greeks and Romans once thought highly of this method. That's known as an exaggeration, something the literal-minded have trouble dealing with, essentially when Gore opens his mouth.

No, what they do is examine the myriad matrixs of the Internet to study position papers, and closely watch the candidates on television as they exchange platitudes. Some may even debate with themselves about whether any sensible person would buy into these schemes, often costing billions the government may or not possess when the piper comes for payment.

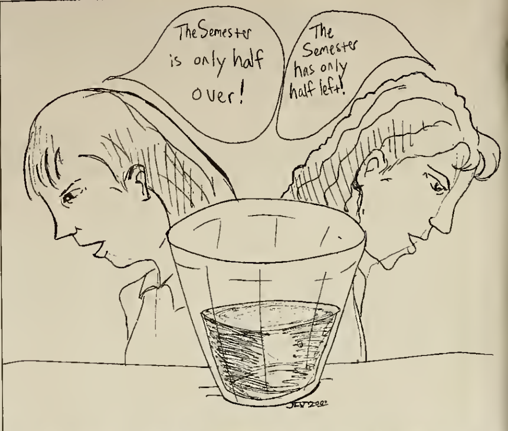
Really, it's simpler than that. If you trust the private sector to look after your interests, you should vote for Bush. His prescription drug plan for seniors will allow them to select from plans offered by insurance companies. Competition, Bush assures us, will keep premiums down and benefits up. Will it work? Who knows?

Gore, as a Democrat, relies more on government intervention in the marketplace to control costs. This works, after a fashion, in Canada, where Americans lucky enough to live along the border can go to buy prescription drugs at a much cheaper cost. Will this dry up research, as drug companies insist? Again, who knows?

Yes, the details are about as clear as the bottom of a Louisiana mud-flat during high tide. But the details won't be clear until their proposals get near passage stage in Congress, if they ever get that far. What isn't known is what deeply held principles they will compromise to get half a loaf of proposals. The half they get may be filled with lies and falsehoods.

History has proven that President Bill Clinton (D-AR) was quite malleable and willing to go a long way to get something, a reason why Gore is in trouble with some parts of labor and civil rights groups. Once elected, President Bush will have the religious right to contend with.

The Accent will not tell you which candidate to support. Rather, the Accent encourages you to investigate for yourself which candidate best represents your views and interests. In fact, neither Bush nor Gore may be your first choice. There are others, most notablely Ralph Nader of the Green Party. But no matter who you support, your choice will not count unless you vote this coming November 7.



Eyes and ears

A weekly look at the issues on campus through the eyes and ears of a student

By Sonja Bleu Lind
STAFF WRITER

Hallelujah for mid-term break. I could say it was too short (which it was), but it was.... so nice.

I saunter back to my dorm room today, and yes, I am locked out.

Kai (great name) Davis is working at the front desk in my dorm. I ask her to unlock my door.

"OK," she agrees, "but you need to pay one dollar."

I have, of course, read the SAU handbook. So, of course, I am aware of these standard cash fines, given to anyone wearing jewelry, missing convocations, climbing onto roofs or committing any other number of offenses. Like throwing food in the cafeteria.

So, Kai, where do these fines go?

"I don't know," she says (God Bless her-she's just a desk worker), "Ask a dean."

I ask a dean, who refers me to the cashier, who puts me on hold (twice), who finally refers me to David Huisman, our university's chief accountant.

So, David Huisman, chief accountant, where does our money go?

"It isn't paid directly into anyone's paycheck. It is put into a separate credit, called 'Fines', which essentially helps to pay into dorm budgets," he tells me, "and this money gets sprinkled over things like dorm maintenance."

I am never one to advocate anarchy, but your dorm needs YOU. Want to help? Don those earrings! Tamper with that fire alarm! Take that bowl of peas and toss it! And when you hand them your money, smile in the secret knowledge that you have become a true martyr.

As I walk past yet another amorous couple, I want to write a spiteful editorial about the evils of PDA. Then I remember that everyone wrote about that last week.

The reason we love to gnash our teeth over this issue is that we are, in fact, single. We are single and yes, jealous. Instead of carrying emergency buckets of cold water with us, perhaps we should just look away.

Here's a final kudos to the smart-dressed men on our campus. Let it never be said that a Southern Man is not a well-dressed man, at least on Friday nights.

Ellie's answers

Dear Ellie,
I cross from Brock/Wood Hall to the CK and Credit Union area, but am often afraid of getting run over by the heavy traffic. Is there some sort of solution? Can a catwalk be placed in the area? What's to be done?

Sincerely,
Crossing Cautiously

Dear Crossing Cautiously,
Actually a crosswalk IS being planned for that area in front of Brock/Wood Hall. Yours truly called up Eddie Avant in Campus Safety and asked him about the situation. He quickly answered that yes, indeed, they are aware of the safety issue here and that a crosswalk/catwalk is being planned for the area. However, he's not sure when the plan will be set in motion. Until then, remember to look both ways before crossing the street!

Finding answers,
Ellie

Dear Ellie,
I live in Thatcher South and don't understand why the men have to walk across campus to Talge in order to get worship credit. Why can't we have a combined worship for everyone in Thatcher South?

Sincerely,
Wanting Worships Closer

Dear Wanting Worships Closer,
I agree with you, it would make more sense to have a joint worship for everyone in the conference center. In fact, like you, I didn't understand why it wasn't being done. Then I learned something: there isn't a room in Thatcher South large enough to hold all the residents. In fact, the largest room can only hold 50 people! Currently, there are approximately 200 men and women living in Thatcher South. So you see, there just isn't room enough to have joint worships. Otherwise, it's a great idea!

Finding answers,
Ellie

Questions, comments, or problems? Let Ellie's Answers help find a solution. Fill out one of the "Say What" forms and place them in the brass mailboxes located in Wright Hall or e-mail it to: saywhat@southern.edu.

Ellie will reply to your question in a weekly column. This column is directed by the public relations office with a student employee researching and answering your questions.

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Letters to the Editor

Kudos to online Accen

Dear Accent Editor(s) & Staff:

Before retiring to bed this evening, ahem, morn guess would be a better way to put it, I decided to check http://accent.southern.edu and see if it was still the s old incomplete August 2000 page.

I need to say "thank you!" as I see it has in fact been urrected back to life, the Accent on the Web lives again. some of us, it is the only way to keep up to date. So, a sacrifice of some sleep (it's 2 a.m. in the morning!) I d ed to read for a while.

Only one suggestion comes to mind for improvem Can we please have some pictures? Perhaps I missed s thing, but it appeared to be all text-based type articles. T were quite interesting, especially how the state decide not provide the voter registration forms, somehow sounds wrong.

I enjoyed the reading immensely as you can see by hour I am writing this letter – which I thought I'd do be going to sleep, as credit is certainly due in this case. Job!

Steven Bradley
Longwood, Fl.

Voting days
Early voting: Now through November 2
General voting: November 7
VOTE: IT IS YOUR VOICE

Gore promises victory at Nashvill fundraiser

By Ian Wilkerson and Daniel Olson
STAFF WRITERS

NASHVILLE – Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore and vice presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman held their last three fundraisers of their campaign in Nashville, Tenn. on Tuesday night, including one fundraiser at the Wild Horse Saloon. Gore thanked his financial supporters and encouraged them to vote in the interest of all.

"The choice is simple - lift up a few or lift up everyone," Gore said, referring to the difference between him and Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush.

"The election comes down to the next 14 days," Gore said. "We're going to come back to Nashville in two weeks to celebrate a great victory."

Gore stressed to the enthusiastic audience he will fight for the m class, make a commi to diversity, invest in p schools, and protect environment if elected dent.

"America wants to moving forward," L man said. "We got to the right leader."

Gore compared a by him to a sunny d contrast to the "cold, able day" he portraye opponent should win

Eddie George, ru back of the Tenn Titans was the eve emcee. Celebrities, ing country singers Ray Cyrus and Patty less, and legendary p former Tony Bennett vided the entertainme

"It was a good thin asked to be vice pre Lieberman said jok "but to meet Tony Be . wow."

Newspaper to inform and solve problems

The Accent serves two major purposes: it serves as a newspaper and as an editorial board.

Our purpose as a newspaper is simple: to inform readers of what is happening on campus and in the surrounding area.

This is the only newspaper that some students read, so I aim to use it as a tool to keep readers informed of what is happening on campus and in the Chattanooga area, on other Adventist campuses, around

Cady Van Dolson

country and around the world. Hence the "In the News" bar, wire stories and office briefs, which I hope to start implimenting soon.

Our purpose as an editorial board is even simpler: to propose solutions to problems on campus.

A simple purpose, yet a difficult job.

It seems that some readers have misunderstood the purpose for editorials in the Accent.

It is evident from the reaction to an editorial that we ran a couple weeks ago that some readers believe that editorials are produced by staff members complaining about something that has happened to them.

That is a severe misunderstanding of our purpose.

Every week, I sit down with my editorial page editor and together, as the editorial board, we discuss issues on campus. We ask other editorial staff members what they think are problems that need to be addressed, and we also take into consideration issues that are brought to our attention by students and faculty, as many usually are. When we decide what issue, or issues, we want to write about and what position we will take as a newspaper.

Editorials are not personal opinions. For example, in the editorial regarding citizenship probation in Thatcher South, we interviewed a student, a dean's assistant and a men's dean. It was factual and not opinionated.

And yet there were those who thought we were just venting our anger.

On page two under "About the Accent" it states that unsigned editorials are the views of the majority of the editorial staff of the Accent.

That means exactly what it says. Editorials are not my opinion on a subject, nor are they the opinions of the editorial page editor.

I hope this has cleared up any misunderstandings regarding editorials. If you have a comment on anything in the newspaper, please don't hesitate to write a letter to the editor. Responding to newspaper content this way, instead of other ways, will enable us, as an editorial staff, to respond to your concerns properly.

Cady is a junior English major from Tennessee

Campus, world events to be commended

This week, there isn't a particular cause to crusade for. Instead, there are several issues that need to be addressed.

For those of you who are junior and senior four-year nursing majors, talk to David Gerstle. He's one of the faculty members of Southern's Nursing Honor Society and it would be worth your time to find out how you can join and, by being a member, what the Society can do for you.

The Student Association Bicycle Fleet (a term I'll credit to SA President David Warden) is being put to great use around campus However, there are a few people who insist on abusing these bikes, which belong to the student body. This behavior can continue and result in the non-usage of all the bikes, or these few individuals can choose to get over their terminal cases of stupidity. Finally, for these individuals that continue to persist in such immature antics, perhaps you, as their fellow students, can encourage them to discontinue their abuse of the bikes (even if such encouragement includes a good smack upside the head). Just a thought.

K.R.'s Place is open 11:45 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Fridays. On a campus suffering from a lack of proper food service hours, K.R.'s Place has taken the lead in trying to alleviate this problem.

This month's voter registration drive (jointly sponsored by Southern's Young Republicans and the Democrat Club) saw over 300 students registered to vote.

A lot of people helped out in promoting voter registration, including the different school/departmental heads and the different office managers around campus. Without their support, this voter registration drive would have been far less successful than it was.

Speaking of the Young Republicans and the Democrat Club, there will be a bipartisan debate Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. in Lynnwood Hall Different political issues, pertinent to the national presidential elections, will be discussed and questions from the audience, screened by a moderator, will be entertained. If you want to be informed, attend this debate. One more thing, convocation credit will be offered.

Earlier this month, there was a populist uprising in Yugoslavia. Slobodan Milosevic, that country's tyrannical leader for 13 years, was swept from power, and the people's choice, Vojislav Kostunica, was installed as the new president. So if you see Dejan Pujic or Marko Pujic around campus, congratulate them because their country can now enjoy the true meaning of democracy and re-enter the community of nations.

While political stability is enjoyed here in the United States, Israeli- Palestinian violence continues to shake the Middle East. Sometimes the peace and prosperity taken for granted by many Americans is but a dream for the people who live and die in Israel and the Palestinian territories.

Last week saw the memorial services for the 17 sailors killed in the terrorist attack against the U.S.S. Cole (a U.S. Navy destoyor)while it was refueling in Yemen. Over 30 other sailors were injured. Though the United States is not subjected to the violence sweeping the Middle East, the members of our armed services stationed abroad are never out of harm's way. Their bravery and dedication are comendable.

In response to Anthony Reiner's October 16, 2000, letter to the editor concerning Ralph Nader, perhaps calling Mr. Nader a "tree hugger" was a bit unfair. After reading Mr. Nader's viewpoints (found at www.votenader.org if any of you wish to investigate this

Dave Leonard

further), it is safe to say that he is nothing more than a rabid hybrid of radical socialism and naive environmentalism. Though Mr. Nader claims that he fights to protect the rights of American consumers, his environmental policies would cause economic havoc for average Americans. If Mr Nader is so concerned with consumer rights, perhaps he'd be well advised to moderate his environmental extremism. There's a difference between promoting environmental responsibility and environmental stupidity. This difference is especially acute if such environmental stupidity comes at the cost of the economic well-being of the American consumers Mr. Nader supposedly fights for.

Finally, Mr Reiner is an excellent example of what letters to the editor are all about. If you don't agree with the editorial/opinion views expressed in the Accent, write a letter to the editor. Only then can a frank exchange of ideas occur from which everyone can benefit. By writing to the editor, you have a strong impact on the different views and opinions formed by the students of Southern Adventist University.

Dave is a senior mass communications major.

The library is NOT your own love nest

I was looking for a quiet place here on campus to study for my upcoming midterm exams.. so I went to our library, found a quiet corner away from everyone else, and buried myself in my books. I hadn't been there long when a couple wandered back to near where I was, and plunked themselves down.

At first I thought that maybe they were intent on studying like me, and so I paid little mind. Then it started. First it was the giggling that got to me.

I cleared my throat. For a moment I thought things were going to quiet down, and then I realized WHY they weren't giggling anymore. To be quite honest, I think I would have preferred the incessant giggling to the disgusting smacking/sucking sounds that come from people making out in the depths of the stacks. I picked up a book, and let it fall to the desk with a loud "thwack".

They paused, giggled some more, and then continued the round of tonsil hockey.

By this time, all concentration on French conjugation was gone as I was forced to listen to the sounds of French kissing. The haystack that I had

Janelle Wasmer

eaten for lunch was threatening to rise ..as was my temper. I tried putting my hands over my ears. Didn't work.

There was another person trying to study not too far from me, and I could tell from their face that they were thinking the same as I. This couple was annoying the living daylight out of us, yet neither of us wanted to be the person to walk over and tap Romeo and Juliet on the shoulder and ask them to relocate their disgusting little rendezvous.

The noise grew louder as they started talking and sucking face in intervals. It was apparent that they neither cared that we were there, nor that we were trying to study. I finally couldn't stand it any longer, and spoke up from where I sat asking them to at least keep the noise to a minimum since the rest of us were there to study. At least they whispered after that.

A while later, our amorous classmates decided that it was time to mosey along out of the library much to the delight of everyone around them. One of the other people who actually had to witness their "private moments" walked over to where I was sitting and thanked me for saying something. Somehow, I don't feel that I have said enough.

For pity's sake guys...have some courtesy for other people. Do you think we LIKE to hear this kind of stuff? Do you think that maybe you could realize we are in the library to use it for its express purpose of being a place to study? I hope that as certain people spend more time here on this campus, they will MATURE some. Until then, and you know who you are, the library is NOT your personal love nest. Kindly keep it to your back seats and other places that I am not-at-all likely to be.

Janelle is a senior computer systems administration major from Tennessee. She co-edits the technology section of the Accent.

The devil's day is coming

Halloween is the devil's holiday. There are more human sacrifices offered on October 31st then on any other day of the year.

Most of us grew up in the SDA church and we are used to hearing about Jesus.

I wonder if we really understand who He is. To a lot of us it's just a popular story.

Let me tell you right now Jesus and the devil are an active part of your life every day. You should know this When you argue with yourself to do this or that, and when you are selfish and you hurt the people around you, these are times when the devil is fighting for you. He wants your heart, your thoughts and your time.

He wants to make our lives so busy that we are so tired that we have absolutely no time for Jesus. Jesus, I imagine, is asking the Holy Spirit to guide us and give us strength to resist the devil.

This sounds familiar right?

It's the Great Controversy

To some this world appears to consist of people simply trying to live a good life. There are different cultures, governments, goals and aspirations, but there is more than that. We all have one thing in common. We must decide who we will give our life to. The important things are unseen.

Let me give you an idea of how active the demons are.

In Roger J. Morneau's book he gives insight on the great controversy. For those of you who do not know Mr. Morneau, he was a very dedicated praying man. Most of us are familiar with the topic of "God's soft voice" but there is another side we need to recognize.

Mr. Morneau was one time involved in spirit worship. He tells in his book entitled "More Incredible Answers to Prayer" how a spiritist priest once told him that demonic spirits can wear out our life by overstimulating our imaginations He said that they have the ability to flash images into the mind so subtly that people believe that they are their own thoughts. The demons love to confuse the human mind the priest continued to say. He said "Since people believe that all thoughts are their own they are appalled by what they find in their minds. They think that is what they must really be like."

Mr. Morneau explains how the spirits (demons) use that revulsion to depress people to the point that they begin to hate themselves

This summer my best friend and I read the book "Steps to Christ" (a great book!) together. One night we talked a very long time about how we did not want to lose this desire we had to know Jesus better. We were so afraid that once we left camp (spiritual atmosphere, making it easy to be a Christian) we would put God on the back burner, again.

Don't you think that the devil is at work in our lives right now? I can tell you he is. Every day it is a struggle

Amber Risinger

to sit down and talk to God, to give Him "time". Time is so precious to us, but not finding time for God is a big mistake. The nights I go to bed without talking to God I leave myself open for the devil.

We need God! We need to pray!

"Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock Heaven's storehouse" (Steps to Christ, pg..94).

Now that I have briefly explained that the devil is real let me conclude with my main point. There is no way around it, halloween is the devil's day. Knowing this fact, how can you get excited and participate in activities that give approval to him? Let me ask you this question. Would you go to the b-day party of the person who murdered your mother? You think that's a ridiculous question, don't you? Well, if it is then WHY are so many of God's children going to dress up like the murderer (monsters, bloody and scary things) and spend and evening with him!!?? What we should be doing is praying for all those who will lose their lives and souls on October 31, 2000.

This October 31, 2000 for those of you who want to support Jesus (our Father) get down on your knees and PRAY. Pray for those who are out "just having fun," those who will be killed, those who are killing, those who will loose someone they love, those who will meet the devil for the first time, those who love to hurt innocent children....halloween is not a joke, but the devil loves the fact that most of us (God's children) think it is.

My prayer: That God will touch your hearts.

"My Father will give me whatever I ask in His name" (John 16:23).

Amber is a social work major from Virginia.

Is there an issue that you feel strongly about it? Want to write about it? Send your submissions to accent@southern.edu.

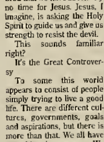
Don't believe everything candidates say in political campaigns

If you are like me, you probably watched the three presidential "debates" to catch a glimpse of what both major parties have to offer. If you think like me, your reactions ranged from outrage to laughter to outright, well, bewilderment. Since I am skeptical of both parties, I consider myself objective, and I must say, I do not admire the position of undecided voters amongst us. How can an uninformed voter be expected to sift through the barrage of numbers, statistics and citations of "fact"? The answer, folks, is do NOT believe everything you hear. In fact, don't believe any of it.

As we all know by now, Al Bore is nothing more than a serial exaggerator (from the Father of the Internet, to the Union "lullaby" to Love Canal. Where does it end?) However, let's discount these things and look at his campaign's assertions against Governor Gush and the Republican Party. Here is a sampling from what I have gathered:

1) Bore claims that Gush's tax plan is more kind to the upper class than his. This is wrong The facts state that the Democratic plan will give 34% of the tax burden to the rich. The Republicans? 36%. Sounds like Gush is harder on the "mean ol' rich" than Bore is.

2) Bore claims that Gush's administration has a terrible record for providing child health care in Texas. Now, think about this for a second. Gush inherited his terrible record from a



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Democratic Governor, one Anne Richards, who cared not a bit about these same social issues. The fact is, under Gush, health coverage as a percentage of child residents in Texas has improved, not declined. Since the same statistic as applied to the US goes in the opposite direction for the Clintonista-Bore administration, I would say Gush's record is better than Bore's.

3) Here is a fallacy coming from both candidates. If you believe there is a surplus in the federal budget, think again. This is known as creative accounting, for two reasons. First, the surplus has not been realized. It is ANTICIPATED. Secondly, since Social Security receipts are exceeding payouts, the remainder is being used to fund the budget.

4) Are we to believe that Bore no longer supports high taxes on fossil fuels, just because he is trying to win an election? Can we assume he has changed his beliefs from a few years ago, where he advocated the end of the combustion engine (see his book "Earth in the Balance"). Either he lied then or is lying now.

5) This one kills me. Republicans propose an increase in Medicare funding. So do the Democrats, but they propose a much higher one, one that they know will fail in committee. Suddenly, we hear how Republicans want to "cut" $270 million out of Medicare. The truth? They proposed an increase that was attainable within budgetary constraints. Another lie.

There are many more mistruths I could cite, but then I might as well write an entire book. I should add that I will vote for neither candidate, as I view them both as wanting to grow government beyond its Constitutional scope. However, at least Gush does not lie about it to the public. The moral here: don't believe everything you read. Don't even believe me. Do your own research. You will find the truth if you really want to.

David Maples is a guest columnist.

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Humor

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How to loose patience with every thing

By Rob York
Staff Writer

Desk workers. You see them around a lot, but you don't think about them. Especially here on campus. Every time you go into one of the dorms, there's a desk worker there. Every time you stop to think about a desk worker, what do you think? You're probably thinking, "That must be a cake job. You sit for 3 hours and study while you answer easy questions." That's what you're thinking I'm sure. But you don't see the minimum wage, the RA's who think you're their personal secretary, or the need to take up a second job, like the cafeteria, or worse, janitorial (but that's another article). And you definitely don't hear conversations like, "What's Kyle's room number?" "Kyle who?" "Uhm, I don't know his last name."

I call a desk job, "The quickest way to loose patience with everyone and everything." After a while, you get tired of the phone calls, the packages that students want that seem to disappear, and you only get tired of questions like "Who's the dean on duty?" "That would be Jimmy Carter, the student dean." "OK, where's the real dean?" Questions like these come every day. Some highlights include: "Can I use the ATM on the Sabbath if I'm not going to spend the money?" "Do I have to sign out if I leave for the afternoon?" and "Where's the 7 o'clock worship?"? Southern really should think of opening a Department of Common Sense**

But how can I really blame the students for asking, he shall I say it, mentally challenged questions? There is a logical explanation for this behavior: they learned it from their parents. One need only work the desk during the new student registration to see what I mean. You see three sets of parents, one after another, to Dean Negron's office to get their sons registered, only to have the fourth family, who have been handing there the whole time, come and ask the same thing. Then there are even more frustrating situations:

CONFUSED PARENT: "COULD YOU TELL ME WHERE MY SON IS, CAUSE HE'S NOT IN HIS ROOM."

DESK WORKER: "I'm sorry ma'am, but I couldn't tell you."

CONFUSED PARENT: "YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE MY SON IS?"

DESK WORKER: "No ma'am, apparently he used the cafeteria knife to remove that tracking device we stuck in his ear when he registered. Another one through the cracks, I guess."

But, I won't lie to you, the desk job does have its benefits. We just have to find ways to get our jollies from these situations we're put in. Those wide-eyed freshmen give us plenty of chances. Here's an example:

WIDE-EYED FRESHMAN: "HAVE YOU SEEN THE DEAN?"

desk worker: "Why, yes I have."

WEF: "WHEN DID YOU SEEN HIM?"

DW: "Well, actually, I've seen him many times. I think the first time I ever saw him was during 4th Summer Session last year, when I moved in."

WEF: "I MEAN HAVE YOU SEEN HIM TODAY?"

DW: "Oh, sorry. He's out to lunch***."

Then there are the other perks. Like, for example, getting to know the deans. Here's a typical conversation:

DEAN: "Rob! Whaaaaaaaup?!!"

DW: "NOTHIN' DEAN, WATCHIN' THE DESK, HAVIN' A CITRA."

DEAN: "True."

Plus you get to meet a lot of people this way, practically everyone who lives in the dorm. People look to you as a source of information. And you get some studying done while you get paid. So what else can really say about the job? "Yes, I'm sure the seven o'clock worship is at seven."

* Sorry Jimmy, this actually happens.

**I'm not making this up.

***Just don't teach it at Hickman.

****Mean streak sold separately.

Top 10

Answering machine messages

Compiled by Joe LaCom

10. Hi, I'm probably home, I'm just avoiding someone I don't like, so leave a message and then if I don't call back,...it's you.
9. Hello, you are talking to a machine, I am capable of receiving messages, my owners do not need new credit cards, cookbooks, and/or affordable insurance at a low low price.
8. Hi, this is John. If you are a phone company, I already sent the money; if you are my parents, please send money; if you are my financial aid institution, you didn't lend enough money; if you are my friends, you owe me money; if you are a female, I have plenty of money.
7. Please leave a message. However, you have the right to remain silent. Everything you say can and will be recorded and used by us.
6. Hi, John's answering machine is broken, this is his refrigerator. Please speak very slowly, and I'll stick your message to myself with one of these magnets.
5. Hello, I'm John's answering machine....what are you?
4. Hi, this is John. I'm sorry I can't come to the phone right now. Leave a message and then wait by your phone until I call back.
3. This is not an answering machine. This is a telepathic thought recording device. After the tone, think about your name, your number and your reason for calling, and I'll think about returning your call.
2. If you are a burglar, then we're probably at home cleaning our weapons right now and can't come to the phone. Otherwise, we probably aren't home and it's safe to leave a message.
1. Hi, now you say something.

Rules of the Air

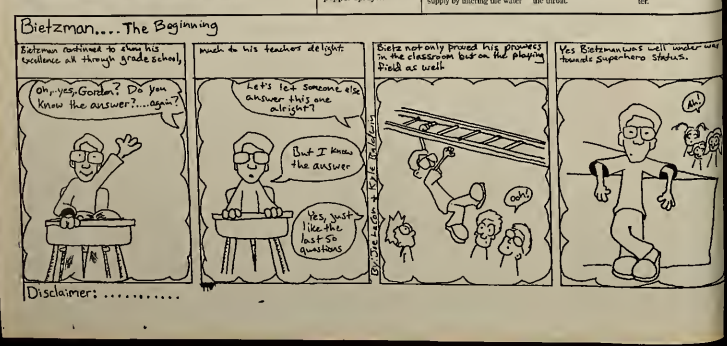
1. Every take off is optional. Every landing is manditory.
2. If you push the stick forward, the houses get bigger. If you pull the stick back, they get smaller. That is unless you keep pulling the stick all the way back; then they all get bigger again.
3. Flying isn't dangerous. Crashing is.
4. Helicopters can't fly; they're just so ugly the earth repels them.
5. The ONLY time you have too much fuel is when you're on fire.
6. The propeller is just a big fan in front of the plane used to keep the pilot cool. When it stops, you can see the pilot sweating.
7. A 'good' landing is one from which you can walk away. A 'great' landing is one after which they can use the plane again.
8. The probability of survival is inversely proportional to the angle of arrival. Large angle of arrival, small probability of survival and vice versa.
9. Stay out of the clouds. The silver lining everyone keeps talking about might be another airplane going in the opposite direction.
10. Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of take offs you've made.

Alligators

The Florida state department of fish and wildlife is advising hikers, hunters, fishers and golfers to take extra precaution and keep alert for alligators while in Osceola, Polk, Brevard and Orange County. They advise people to wear noise-producing devices such as little bells on their clothing to alert but not startle the alligators unexpectedly. They also advise the carrying of pepper spray in case of an encounter with an alligator. It is also a good idea to watch for fresh signs of alligator activity. People should recognize the difference between small young, alligator and large, adult alligator droppings. Young alligator droppings are smaller and contain fish bones and possibly bird feathers. Adult alligator droppings have little bells in them and smell like pepper spray...

Kids answers to all of life's questions

-The parts of speech are the lungs and air.
-The inhabitants of Moscow are mosquitoes.
-A cracus taker is a man who goes from house to house increasing the population.
-Water is composed of two gins, oxygin and hydrogin; oxygin is pure gin, and hydrogin is gin and water.
-Define H2O and CO2: H2O is hot water and CO2 is cold water.
-The general direction of the Alps is straight up.
-A city purifies its water supply by filtering the water than forring it through an aviator.
-Most of the houses in France are made from plaster of Paris.
-The spiral column is a long bunch of bones. The head sits on top and you sit on the bottom.
-One of the main causes of dust is janitors.
-A scout obeys all to whom obedience is due and respects all duly constipated authorities
-To prevent head colds, use an agonizer to spray into the nose until it drips into the throat.
-The four seasons are salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar
-The climate is hottest near to the crater.
-Syntax is all money collected at the church from sinners.
-The blood circulates through the body by flowing down one leg and up the other.
-In the middle of the 18th century all the meroins moved to Utah.
-A person should take a bath once in the summer and not so often in the winter.



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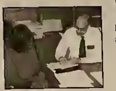

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THE NEWS

TAIPEI, Taiwan — A gapore Airlines jumbo jet eding down a runway in kness and rain slammed an object before takeoff Los Angeles and burst flames Tuesday, scattering fiery wreckage across tarmac, witnesses said. least 68 people were ed and dozens more e injured, an airline official said. It wasn't immediately clear what Flight 006 hit.

NITED NATIONS — General Assembly pted a historic resolution Tuesday supporting the ean peace process and ntual reunification of the insula. The resolution lauds the "major breakough" in relations that e at a June summit ween the leaders of th and South Korea. It encourages the two ntries to continue implenting the joint declaration reached at that summit.

CHERBOURG, France An Italian cargo ship carng 6,000 tons of chemis sank Tuesday northst of the Channel Islands, day after it sent out disss signals as gale-force nds lashed France's lantic coast. Anti-pollution ams searched the water rounding the Ievoli Sun potential spills, maritime ficials said. A helicopter d evacuated the 14 memrs of the crew on Monday. rescue tug had been sent help the stricken vessel, it could not make port fore sinking.

JERUSALEM — Stepg through the rubble of Israeli missile attack, lestinian leader Yasser rafat on Tuesday called for ewed resistance by ing activists, "these chilen who throw the stones defend Jerusalem, the uslims and the holy ces." In a clash that last through the day and into e night, four Palestinians, es 17 to 23, were killed by raeli fire at the Karni ossing point along the stern Gaza Strip, hospital ctors said. Thirty-four ys of fighting have left 147 ople dead, most of them lestinians.

MURMANSK, Russia Russian naval officials ve ordered divers to shift eir search for remains om the aft section of the nken nuclear submarine ursk to its front, naval offials said Tuesday. Officials dged a further search of e aft section to be too ky. But others alleged at searching the front of e sub was a cover for tempts to retrieve sensive equipment and documents.

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Political debate to be held tonight

By Rob York
STAFF WRITER

A debate between the Democratic and Republican Clubs of Southern Adventist University to discuss the issues of this year's presidential election will be held tonight at 7:00 in Lynn Wood Hall.

Both clubs eagerly encourage student attendance at the debate. Republican Club President Brandon Nudd says that he believes the debate will serve to "educate the student body" to the issues and stances being taken by the two major candidates, Republican nominee George Bush and Democrat nominee Al Gore Troy Ondrizek, Democratic Club President agrees. According to Ondrizek, "The purpose of the debate is to make people aware of all the issues, so that they do not vote for the presidential race based on just one." In order to provide more motivation for student attendance, Convocation credit will be offered.

Tom Griscom, executive editor of the Chattanooga Times and Chattanooga Free Press is scheduled to moderate the debate and the Southern Accent is the debate sponsor.

"It's good to see the student media taking an active role in this debate," said Dave Leonard, Accent columnist and Republican club member. "It shows that this is something that the student body should care about."

Hicks answers senators' questions

By Cady Van Dolson
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Henry Hicks, executive director of Information Systems, attended Tuesday's senate meeting to answer questions

Most of the questions asked were related to problems with the phone system.

Hicks explained the new Talkie Cards to the senators Talkie cards are prepaid long-distance phone cards, which are available at the Information Systems office and are ready to be used right away.

"That's the system that our telephone system is designed to use," Hicks said.

Hicks also told the senators that the school pays $9,000 each month for local phone lines.

"That's why we can't make a bunch of 1-800 lines

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Beer by the drink law up at next commission meeting

STAFF REPORTS

Alcoholic beverages may be served in Collegedale, under an ordinance being considered by City Commissioners next week. A public hearing on the proposal is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday at Collegedale City Hall.

The measure has stirred up controversy in the town home to many Seventh-day Adventists who believe in a healthy lifestyle and abstainance from all alcoholic and caffeinated beverages.

"I think it's terrible," said resident John Keplinger. "Seventh-day Adventists have always been against drinking and there are Adventist men on the commission."

In October, commissioners voted 3 to 2 and approved the ordinance on first reading, which will allow a restaurant to sell beer or wine by the glass. However, the on-site permit will only be granted to restaurants in a restricted commercial zone near the Ooltewah exit of I-75. Collegedale has always been a dry city. But in this case, a Cleveland, Tenn. developer is asking for an exemption. He wants to attract a restaurant chain to build on property that sits adjacent to Lee Highway and I-75. Some commissioners feel the ordinance is unnecessary.

"I believe it is possible to develop property without bringing in beer by the drink," said Commissioner Bert Coolidge, who voted against the ordinance. Coolidge is also a business professor at Southern Adventist University.

Several restaurants have expressed interest in building in the area, but won't unless they can obtain the beer permit, City Manager Bill Magoon said.

A decades old precedent was broken earlier this year when Collegedale annexed a section of Ooltewah including several convenience stores with "off-premise" beer permits. Under the law customers must consume the beer off-site. These stores continue to sell six-packs because of a grandfather clause, even though they are now within the Collegedale city limits

Under the new ordinance, however, a restaurant would be awarded an on-premise permit, meaning customers must consume alcoholic beverages on-site.

"It's what I think to be in the long term best interest for economic stability," said Commissioner Jimmy Eller, who voted in favor of the ordinance

Collegedale resident Bettie Chastain, who opposed the annexation of Ooltewah, is upset about the beer by the drink ordinance.

"I'm very disappointed in the commissioners who voted for it and I told the three of them that," Chastain said. "I don't feel like we should do this as Christians. I don't think we need their money in here running our city."

Chastain says if enough residents show up at the public hearing commissioners may be influenced to change their vote, as it did last year with the primary seatbelt law.

Eller agreed that the commission changed it's vote on the seatbelt law due to public opinion but in this case, with the vote so close, it is hard to tell what will happen.

Coolidge does not think that Adventist beliefs should play a part in the decision.

"This should not be considered an Adventist city, although there are a large number of Adventists living here," he said. "The city government is not a part of the church."

Keplinger feels that if the commission approves this ordinance it will look as if Adventists have changed their beliefs on alcohol. He plans to talk to students at A.W. Spalding Elementary School and Collegedale Academy and give them flyers to take to their parents.

Following Monday night's hearing, commissioners are expected to vote on the issue for a second and final reading.

Chastian said she won't miss it. "We're doing our research and we're going to go in there with open barrels."

Jennifer Wasmer/Staff Photographer
Thatcher Hall residents celebrate Halloween with refreshments in the lobby Tuesday night.

Virus infects many faculty computers

By Janelle Wasmer
TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

An outbreak of the computer virus W95.MTX last week infected the computers of many faculty members and administrators

This virus is believed to have originated in Germany, and was first detected August 17 of this year according to Symantec, makers of the popular Norton AntiVirus software.

This virus is an interesting combination of virus, worm, and backdoor. The "virus" part modifies 32 bit pe files, like EXE and .DLL, in the windows folder. The "worm" part sends email to everyone the victim of the virus emails containing an attachment with a copy of the virus in it. The backdoor part of this virus was intended to create an opening in the victim's computer that allowed the system to automatically download other more potentially detrimental programs.

This virus was designed to be a high-threat virus, but according to Mike McClung, workstation support supervisor, in depth research of the virus revealed a design flaw that kept the backdoor portion, the most dangerous part of the virus, from functioning properly. This flaw turned a potential disaster into little more than a large nuisance.

According to sources in Information Systems, the virus has been eradicated from all infected computers. Many faculty and staff members received the email containing the virus, but did not open it.

A virus of this nature can only infect a person's computer if the attachment it is contained in is opened. The W95.MTX virus randomly chooses the name of the attachment from a list of over 30 known filenames including everything from Matrix_sereen_saver.scr to Protect_your_credit.html p if. A complete list of the known file names containing this virus is found at http://is.southern.edu/internet/w95.MTX.html.

There are several simple steps that the average computer user can take to avoid falling prey to a computer virus

*Do not open attached files that you were not expecting, even if they come from someone you know. If you have a question, you can always email the person who sent it to you for confirmation that it is a genuine file from them.

*Install a Virus checking program. SAU has a site license for McAfee Virus Scan that includes all student computers. CDs with program files are available in the residence halls for students to check out and use. Faculty and Staff may obtain it from Information Systems.

*Make sure that your email program (such as Netscape or Outlook) is set NOT to automatically open attachments or run macros

Students halt fire on Biology Trail

Group keeps their "cool despite the heat"

By Daniel Olson
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Seven Southern students and four friends helped to contain a fire on the Biology Trail Saturday afternoon until help came from the fire department. An unattended campfire was believed to be the cause, according to the Tri-Comm Volunteer Fire Department.

It was a little after 4 p.m. Saturday when Southern student Stormi Hamblen told a group of eleven hikers that she had seen fire on the ridge while jogging. Hamblen went to call the fire department and Campus Safety

"Our group went to look for the fire," said Beaver Eller, senior nursing major. "When we found the fire we started to put a firebreak around it."

Eller explained that a firebreak involves "raking material down to bare earth" in an attempt to halt the fire's movement.

The group used their hands and feet as well as large sticks to clear the ground close to the fire

When the fire department arrived, they teamed up in the woods and continued to put a firebreak around the burned area.

"The students [did] a real good job controlling the fire," said Lt. Jeff Carney of the fire department.

The firefighters used water extinguishers and hand tools to contain the fire.

Due to the significant amount of sub-surface fuel, such as roots and leaves, the fire was burning underground, Carney said.

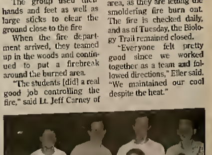
"There was no way to extinguish the fire, [we could] just contain it."

The Southern students suffered only minor briar scratches from the incident.

The Southern students that participated were Eller; his brother, Bucklee; his sister, Fawna; Keith Wilfley; Bryan Vyhmeister; Jep Calkins and Jenny Harlow. Other participants included the Eller's mother, Yvonne; their sisters, Phoebe and Shama; and Simon Johannsson, an exchange student from Norway that is staying with the Eller family in Georgia.

The firefighters returned to the area Sunday to dig a trench around the burned area, as they are letting the smoldering fire burn out. The fire is checked daily, and as of Tuesday, the Biology Trail remained closed.

"Everyone felt pretty good since we worked together as a team and followed directions," Eller said. "We maintained our cool despite the heat."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Keith Wilfley, Buckley Eller, Beaver Eller, Bryan Vyhmeister, Jep Calkins, Fawna Eller and Jenny Harlow helped contain the fire on the Biology Trail. INSET: [illegible]

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available," Hicks said. "It's expensive to us during the day when no one's using them."

Senator Rob York said that a constituent suggested installing an emergency phone at the track, due to an incident last summer when a woman was assaulted there.

A line for the emergency phone can be run through the gymnasium, Hicks said.

According to Hicks, there are eight lines available for 1-800 calls.

"If we were to add a bunch of 1-800 lines, that would definitely cost us," Hicks said. "The company we're using now will refund us some money depending on usage."

One of the big problems regarding phones are 911 phone calls, Hicks said. Emergency calls made do not show where they came from on campus.

"Campus Safety is running all over campus," Hicks said.

In other business, each senator was given a working budget for each SA department as of Sept. 30.

And, Wednesday, November 8, is donut day. A booth, manned by senators, will be set up in front of the library.

Southern offers kick aerobics class

By Yvette Saliba
Staff Writer

Kick aerobics is a healthy, motivational workout for students at Southern as well as for community residents, according to students.

"Kick aerobics is a non-combative exercise that motivates the students as well as promotes healthy physical activity," said Heather Neal, assistant professor of physical education.

Matt Eubanks a professional personal trainer has been teaching kick aerobics in the Iles PE center since the beginning of September every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Out of the eight years of teaching kick aerobics, Eubanks considers the class he teaches at Southern to be his favorite. He said that most college students are so busy drinking and partying that they don't consider their health at all. Eubanks said that he is pleased to be in the position to help young students make the decision to go upwards with their health habits.

About 30-45 girls show up each night for kick aerobics, all of whom seem to love it.

Jeni Appel, senior health science major, said that she felt the class adds great balance in her life, by keeping her healthy and allowing a positive way for her to release stress.

Taryn Ahnert, sophomore marketing major, said she loves the fact that it is an organized way of exercising.

Phil Garver, dean of the School of Physical Education, said that the department is very pleased to have this evening class available. He believes that kick aerobics is better for the joints than step-aerobics and it is easier to operate because the equipment used is minimal.

Kick acrobics is opened to both students and community members and costs $50 dollars for the semester, $15 dollars for the month and two dollars per session.

Southern holds Fall Festival

By Kyle Baldwin
Assistant News Editor

Southern Adventist University had it's fall festival for the first time in two years.

The festival took place on Sunday, October 29 from six p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Griffin farm located a short drive off Edgemont Road.

The event was designed to give Southern students a chance to get together and socialize, talk and just hang out under the canopy of open stars, encircled by bonfires and bluegrass music, said Laramie Barber, Student Association social vice president.

The bluegrass band "In Cahouts" which included Roy Curry, Dave Summers, Laura Walker and Bill McCullin as members played songs like John Denver's "Country Road" a song called "Cripple Creek," and a gospel song called "With the Circle Being Broken."

As students listened to the music, many sat passively on large tarps and blankets while others chose to be more involved, attempting to perform their version of folk dancing. Some students even formed a pathway through which they took turns dancing.

While the bluegrass music set the mood it was not the only entertainment during the night. Students had the choice to go on regular hayrides throughout the evening's festivities.

"I thought they (the hayrides) were good. It would have been cool if people had jumped out and scared us, but I don't think that applies to the Southern rules," said Scott Afton, sophomore chemistry major.

While students listened to music they could treat themselves to hot cider, donuts and hot chocolate and were even provided sticks for roasting marshmallows and making smores. The refreshments were provided for the entire evening.

Students seemed to think that the fall festival was a success.

"It's the best thing all year," said Kendra Schlangen, sophomore physical therapy major.

Tanya Sabo, a psychology major, agreed. "There should be more fall festivals even if it's not in the fall."

Don't miss tonight's debate with the Republican and Democrat clubs at 7:00 in Lynn Wood Hall. Tom Griscom, executive editor of the Chattanooga Times and Chattanooga Free Press will be the moderator. Convocation credit will be given.

Gym-masters will perform at gym clinic

By Della Stoica
Staff Writer

Southern's Gym-masters will perform in the biannual Southern Union Clinic Saturday 8 p.m.

Students from academies in Tennessee, Florida, Georgia and North and Southern Carolina will meet for a three-day clinic where they will learn new gymnastics moves and tips. They will then perform for the public Saturday night.

Richard Schwarz is the new coach for the Gym-masters this year. This will be his first clinic.

"My main goal in doing Gym-masters is to encourage awareness and increase visibility and the skill level to help those teams in the Southern Union," he said

Men's Manager Jeff Parks said he noticed that the team is larger this year than in previous years, because more students were interested in being involved in Gym-masters. But the performances are not the only reason so many students enjoy being part of the group.

"To me the shows are secondary—we're a group of people that bond," Parks said.

Shaun DeGrave has enjoyed being a Gym-master for three years and is confident that his team is more prepared this year than any year before.

"We're more organized and we have a new coach.. .It's a lot of fun," DeGrave said.

Dawnetta Fortner, women's manager, hopes the Gym-masters will have a good year and serv[e] good example for So[uthern] students

"Coaches come [...] and the team is going good, but our mes[sage] still the same—to pro[...] good lifestyle," Fortne[r] "And if we reach th[e] student out there [...] chooses to change, [...] done a good job."

The Gym-masters [...] public high schools an[d] form anti-drug shows [...] students at asse[mblies] They also participat[ed] New York City's Col[umbus] Day Parade earlier [...] month.

Admission for the [...] masters performance [...] and those wearing cl[othing] with Southern's or a [...] nastics emblem will [...] off.

Former students return hom[e]

Alumni see Brock Hall journalism, art renovations for first t[ime]

By Larry Baxter
Staff Writer

It has been 10, 20, 50 years since they have seen each other. Back then, Southern was Southern College, Southern Missionary College, Southern Junior College. They like the new buildings, Hickman, Brock, Wood Halls. They are alumni, and they have come back home.

On October 6-9, Southern hosted its former students while they renewed old friendships and brought back memories. Current students cleaned the campus, gave up their parking spots, and performed for the alumni during the weekend.

The alumni also got a chance to view Brock Hall and give their approval to the renovations done there.

"I am amazed with what they've done," said Kevin Toppenberg, class of 1990, as he visited the new facilities for the School of Journalism and Communication. It had been 10 years since he had set foot inside a building on campus, and Brock Hall was still fairly new when he graduated.

Rick Norrskov, class of 1976, is proud of how Southern itself has advanced. He recalls Southern being more detached from the community, and is impressed with the opportunities students now have in town

Unfortunately, th[...] more to get distracted[...] Norrskov said.

Robert Moore, cl[ass of] 1975 and current [...] member, said he ob[...] an attitude of servic[e] the "spirit of Christ" [...] current students. It [...] notable achievement [...] the high number of [...] who live here, he said[...]

The weekend is ove[r] alumni have gone b[ack] Florida, California and [...]gia. Now the students [...] to the daily grind, pre[...] for that time so e[...] anticipated. Soon, afte[r grad]uation, they will pull [...] student's parking sp[...] smile.

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Election 2000

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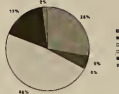
The X Factor

Who are you planning to vote for in the presidential elections?

Which party are you affiliated with?



This unscientific survey was conducted over a 200-member group (100 women and 100 men) at Southern Adventist University

#1 - "Are you registered to vote here in Collegedale or otherwise?"

(A) Y = 28%.
(B) N = 72%.

#2 - "Do you feel informed enough to vote?"
(A) Y = 53%.
(B) N = 47%.

#3 - "Do you belong to one of the SAU student political clubs?"
(A) Y = 13%.
(B) N = 87%.
#4 - "Do you knew who the Democratic Party presidential candidate is?"

(A) Y = 97%.
(B) N = 3%.
Answer: Al Gore.

#5 - "Do you know who the Green Party presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 29%.
(B) N = 71%.
Answer: Ralph Nader.

#6 - "Do you know who the Libertarian Party presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 8%.
(B) N = 92%.
Answer: Harry Browne.

#7 - "Do you knew who the Reform Party presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 33%.
(B) N = 67%.
Answer: Pat Buchanan.

#8 - "Do you know who the Republican Party presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 96%.
(B) N = 4%.
Answer: George W. Bush.

#9- "Did you watch any one of the three presidential debates?"
(A) Y = 28%.
(B) N = 72%.

#10 - "Do you know who the Democratic Party vice-presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 84%.
(B) N = 16%.
Answer: Joseph Lieberman.

#11 - "Do you knew who the Republican Party vice-presidential candidate is?"
(A) Y = 72%.
(B) N = 28%.
Answer: Richard B. Cheney.

#12 - "Did you watch the vice-presidential debate?"
(A) Y = 11%
(B) N = 89%.

#13 - "Do you feel that any one of the presidential candidates share your concerns and interests?"
(A) Y = 65%.
(B) N = 35%.

#14 - "Does the news media influence how you vote?"
(A) Y = 44%.
(B) N = 56%.

#15 - "Do the political views of your family influence how you vote?"
(A) Y = 52%.
(B) N = 48%.

#16 - "Do the political views of your (SAU) teachers influence how you vote?"
(A) Y = 2%.
(B) N = 98%.

#17 - "Do the political views of your peers influence how you vote?"
(A) Y = 23%.
(B) N = 77%.

#18 - "Do you believe that your vote makes a difference?"
(A) Y = 51%.
(B) N = 49%.

Your internet connection to the action

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Young Democrats of America = www.yda.org/yda/
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Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC) = www.dscc.org
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC) = www.dccc.org
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The Libertarianism FAQ = www.tuxedo.org/~esr/faqs/libertarianism.html

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Tennessee Reform Party = www.tnreformparty.org
National College Reform Party = www.collegeareformparty.org

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Sample Ballot

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Cathy Gordon Brown / Sabrina R. Allen (Independent).
Harry Browne / Art Olivier (Libertarian Party) = www.harrybrowne2000.org
Patrick J. Buchanan / Ezola Foster (Reform Party) = www.buchananreform.com
John Hagelin / Nat Goldhaber (Reform Party) = www.hagelin.org
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Bill Frist (Republican Party) = www.Frist2000.org
Tom Burrell (Green Party) = www.greentn.org/burrellJ.html
Charles F. Johnson (Independent).
Joel Kimble (Independent).
David Jarred Dwyer (Independent).
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"The presidential election, occurring once in four years, throws the country for several months into a state of turmoil, for which there may be no occasion. Perhaps there are no serious party issues to be decided, perhaps the best thing would be that the existing Administration should pursue the even tenor of its way. The Constitution, however, requires an election to be held, so the whole costly and complicated machinery of agitation is put in motion; and if issues do not exist, they have to be created."
James Bryce, *The American Commonwealth*, 1888

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Grover Cleveland, in his inaugural address, March 4, 1885

"A presidential election is sometimes . . . a turning-point in history. In form it is nothing more than the choice of an administrator who cannot influence policy otherwise than by refusing his assent to bills. In reality it is the deliverance of the mind of the people upon all such questions as they feel able to decide."
Ibid

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Technology

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Webster says

By Jason Belyeu
Staff Writer

With this year's presidential election winding down, it looks like it will be one of the closest races since John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon ran against each other. After talking with a few students, it seems most people want to vote but feel they are not educated enough on the issues to make the right decision.

As I stated in the last Webster, the important thing is that you vote–period. Since so many people want to vote, but will only do so if they are educated on the issues, I have dedicated this Webster to Web sites that will give you more information on the issues and the three presidential debates in case you missed them.

www.voter.com

Okay, this was mentioned in the last Webster, but I mention it again to draw attention to the issues section. Hit the blue tabbed link "Issues" and then hit the link for "Where The Candidates Stand." Here you can get a quick overview of the four major (if you can call Pat Buchanan major) positions on the major issues. If you are interested in a more detailed analysis on the candidate's positions on the issues, check out my reviews for Gore and Bush's websites below

www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2000/

In case you missed the debates, you can get a little of what is left. To the right of this site, in a blue rectangle, are links for video clips from the three debates, and links for transcripts of the tree debates. Farther down the page there is a link labeled "Where They Stand" where you can get a side-by-side comparison of the candidates' positions on the issues

www.algore2000.com

George W Bush insists that Al Gore invented the Internet and, if that is the case (contrary to popular belief the vice president never said that he had), Gore's Web site beats Bush's hands down when it comes to easy access to information on where the candidate stands on the issues. At the very top of Gore's homepage is a red scroll down menu entitled "Issues." Pick the category of an issue you are interested in learning about (say the economy), and you will be warped to the page that covers that issue. There you can learn about Gore's past record on the issue, his plans to address that issue should he be president, get transcripts from speeches he has made on the issue (or watch them on video over the Web), and read press releases on that issue. Gore's website also gets pluses for his Interactive Town Hall link, where you can email Gore a specific question and see his answers to similar questions posted on his website

www.georgewbusb.com

George W. Bush's website does a good job spelling out what his administration wants to do, but the only problem is knowing the right place to look. Similar to Gore's red issue section at the top of the home page, Bush has a search feature at the top of his home page where you can search through the news, issues, or both. If you spell like Dan Quayle, skip this user-unfriendly engine. You will only get frustrated and wonder if Bush has a plan for anything. Instead, scroll down the homepage until you see a box highlighted in yellow called "On The Issues." There, select the category, and you can find out Bush's record in Texas and his vision for the future. Unfortunately, Bush's site does not have many links to press releases and speech transcripts in his issue sections and when he does they do not stand out in any way to grab your attention, so they are easy to pass over.

For the student interested in voting but needing information and education, these are your best bets if you want a quick overview or detailed reading. Just be sure to vote this year if you can and let your voice be heard.

In Napster debate, arists against piracy lobby for musicians

By Amanda Fazzone

CHICAGO, Ill (U-WIRE) – Christina Aguilera is mad. And so are DMX, Matchbox Twenty and Blink-182. They believe artists are not getting a say in the battle between online music file-sharing companies like Napster and the mega-conglomerate record labels like Warner Brothers and Sony. And 28-year-old Noah Stone agrees.

So Stone, an independent musician from Los Angeles, founded Artists Against Piracy (AAP) at the outset of the Napster vs Recording Industry Association of America lawsuit to give artists a voice in the tug-of-war between the new technologies and record companies

After all, Stone says, if not for the artists themselves, there would be no music.

"The promise of the Internet," explained Stone in an interview during his New York City press tour, "is that artists can have more control and a better shake at what happens to their music."

Stone insists major label artists are facing a dilemma they have faced since major labels began. By signing with a major label, he claims, an artist garners only a pittance off each record's sales. And if their music is pirated on the Web, that's revenue many starving artists cannot do without.

Stone's goal is to educate consumers, artists, record companies and e-businesses about the need for dialogue on music piracy. And he is full of ideas, from growing the singles market to lower pricing ("Say, 99 cents per song?" he offers) to working retailers like Tower Records into the solution.

That said, many users of Napster couldn't care less. Because right now, they're getting music for free.

A common justification, says Stone, is that by file sharing, it's really the record labels that get screwed, not the artists. A common misperception, explains Stone. All musicians are not extremely wealthy, leading lives of unfathomable exorbitance.

"That's like, Celine Dion," he jokes.

Considering a band's cut of record sales may be divided between numerous band members, losing out to piracy will eventually cut into the quality of music to which consumers are accustomed, simply by cutting into the musicians themselves, Stone says.

While some argue Napster is a great way for consumers to sample music to see whether or not they want to buy it, Stone doesn't agree. If anything, he says, consumers may only want one or two songs off an album; the popularity of Napster signifies a need not currently met in the singles market. Says Stone, "[The recording industry] has got to be able to meet that demand and weaken the position of the [online pirates]."

And contrary to what you might think, says Stone, AAP is not about hating technology "In fact, we are very pro-technology. We are supported by a variety of technology companies that provide artists opportunities online. Even peer-to-peer file sharing presents all sorts of possibilities that could benefit artists and allow consumers to sample music before they buy it."

Stone says it's time to let the record companies and the online file-sharing companies know that the last demographic who should get screwed in this situation are the artists themselves

Although major labels are slowly realizing the Web is an excellent outreach and marketing tool, Stone says, "Labels are going to have to find a way to promote music through Napster and other online file-sharing companies."

If the record labels don't learn to market mu[...] through the Internet i[...] way that is both profita[...] and benefits the artist, Sto[...] asserts, some musicians [...] bow out of the major la[...] world. Like Aimee Ma[...] and The Offspring, art[...] will be forced to release [...]gles or albums strictly o[...] the Internet because th[...] believe they'll be more co[...]mercially successful doing [...] for themselves.

Regardless of the o[...]come of this chapter [...] music industry histo[...] reminds Stone, this battle [...] really about the exchange [...] information on the Intern[...] "Can it survive as a co[...]pletely free swap meet [...] digital files? I don't think [...] can."

In order for the outco[...] to benefit consumers in [...] way that doesn't rob [...] artists of revenues, eve[...] one is going to have to tak[...] seat at the negotiating tab[...] Ultimately, he says, Naps[...] is offering an incompl[...] product. And they're off[...]ing it for free. And tha[...] something that Noah Sto[...] doesn't want any part [...] "Radiohead's Kid A is [...] experience," he offers [...] can't break that up i[...] pieces"

Profs crack computer code meant to protect online music files

By Michael Grabell
The Daily Princetonian

PRINCETON, N.J. (U-WIRE) – A team of researchers from Princeton University, Rice University and Xerox Tuesday defended their claim that they cracked four security measures being tested to prevent illegal users from listening to copyrighted music.

The group of two University professors, three graduate students, two graduate school alumni and two colleagues at Rice responded to a challenge issued Sept. 6 by the Secure Digital Music Initiative - a consortium of more than 200 companies including Sony, Universal, Warner, BMG and EMI.

The SDMI - an organization with the goal of curbing piracy of digital music - created a contest on its Website challenging people to bypass four watermarking shields and two non-watermarking shields on downloadable music samples without damaging the original sound quality of the files.

Digital watermarks are hidden signals that are embedded in files and act as copyright marks for record companies.

With the Internet spawning MP3-distribution giants like Napster and recordable compact disc technology, record companies are scrambling to develop technology that would tighten security on their music.

The SDMI hopes to use the technology in digital music players that would deny access to any files without the correct watermarks

Designers of the system hoped that if a hacker were to remove a watermark, the music quality would degrade.

But the researchers - who all had studied watermarking and computer security in the past - were able to penetrate the four walls without hurting the files' quality.

"We studied the technology to figure out how it worked and used signal processing to modify the music so that the hidden signals, the so-called 'watermarks,' were either removed or hidden," said Edward Felten, University computer science professor and spokesman for the group.

The other researchers in the group include University electrical engineering professor Bede Liu, Scott Craver GS, Patrick McGregor GS, Min Wu GS, Drew Dean GS '89, Dan Wallach GS '99 and two of Wallach's colleagues at Rice University.

There were 447 entries [...] the challenge that end[...] Oct. 8 and offered a $10,[...] prize to successful grou[...] The Princeton group, ho[...]ever, is ineligible because [...] plans to publish its results [...] disqualifying term in t[...] contest rules

Felten said he and [...] researchers were m[...] interested in creating pub[...] dialogue by publishing [...] results than in receiving [...] money

"One, it was an intere[...]ing technical challeng[...]" Felten said, "It's rare to [...] access to a state of the [...] commercial security syste[...] Two, we feel it's an imp[...]tant topic for the future [...] the public and music user[...]"

The SDMI will announ[...] if there is a contest win[...] after its next meeting Nov. 10.

Hundreds camp out to await release of PlayStation II

By Melinda Rogers
Minnesota Daily

MINNEAPOLIS(U-WIRE) - After a sleepless night standing outside in the rain, Heidi Borman and BriAnn Henderson knew their day could only improve.

The University of Minnesota sophomores were just two of hundreds of people around the Twin Cities who decided to camp out at area stores Wednesday night awaiting the arrival of Sony Computer Entertainment's latest innovation – PlayStation II.

At 7 a.m. the long wait paid off for Borman and Henderson. Each was handed a number and told that they were included in the lucky group of forty-five people who would be taking home a PlayStation II.

"We got here at about 10:30 last night," Henderson said. "Everyone who got a number this morning was here by 2 a.m."

Henderson and Borman waited with more than 50 people at a Minneapolis Target in anticipation of the Thursday morning release of the video game machine.

PlayStation II, a new version of the popular PlayStation, has several new features that Carlson School of Management senior Christian Zepeda said make it a hot commodity for computer and video game lovers.

"PlayStation II is supposed to have superior technology," Zepeda said.

"Plus, you can play your old PlayStation games (on the new machine). Controllers and memory cards are compatible between Sonys – that's a big issue," he added.

At 8 a.m., Target officials finally opened the store to the waiting crowd, which was chanting "Zelda!!" in excitement. Zelda is one of the new games released along with PlayStation II.

"We've had calls for the last two to three weeks from people wondering how many quantities we are getting in and if people can camp out overnight," said Target manager David Parkin "When we handed the numbers out, the crowd was very well behaved ... they knew quantities were limited."

Parkin said Target will continue to receive more PlayStation II shipments as the holiday season draws near.

The thought of selling PlayStation II to desperate holiday shoppers was on the minds of a few University students Thursday morning

"Think of how much money people will be willing to pay (for PlayStation II) by Christmas," Zepeda said.

But monetary gains weren't the goal of computer engineering senior Nick Valentine.

"It's about more than just the money though," he argued. "I want it because it has a DVD player and it plays all the old and new games I'm not selling mine," he said.

Whatever the reason, University students hoping to be one of the first to own the new PlayStation II weathered a long night to attain their prize on Thursday morning

"(To do it again), it would have to be something I really, wanted and weather conditions would have to be a lot better," said Henderson.

"It's about the feeling of having a system that a lot of people want ... we have it! It's hot stuff," concluded Zepeda.

The Technology section is looking for writers. Please email jcwasmer@southern.edu, kapulfer@southern.edu or call 2721.

Best and worst of the we[...]

By David Fournier
Staff Writer

Good Site
http://www.politics.com

Yes, thats right. I'm getting into the spirit of the season and writing about politics. I guess that's what happens when elections come around. Politics.com is a site devoted to (drumroll here) politics. American politics to be painfully obvious.

The site is pretty cool because you can select the different candidates and learn all sorts of stuff about them and their respective campaigns. They have graphs describing their fundraising and ratings and a rather comprehensive section that attempts to define the candidate's platform.

I have no idea if this site is biased or not because, frankly, this is not a subject I care that much about (I'm Canadian so get off my back). But, the site seems pretty cool anyway. It's something to look at if you want a good overview of the situation, I suppose.

As far as LOOK, this site does fall a little short. They have a funky thing going with little lines everywhere that don't serve a really good purpose. I think I know what they were going for but it just doesn't work. And, they have too much yellow, so don't look at this site early in the morning

It is fairly well organized, so that brings it up a few points Its one of those sites that are "good" but not "great."

Bad Site
http://www.minolta.com

Grrr., this is the hard part. Do you have any idea how hard it is to write an article about something that really stinks? First, it's just plain difficult to look for something that one can appropriatly bash on. Then, how do you describe it in a way that people will understand without using too many gutteral sounds (i.e. argh, aaackkk, blech, and hackkk).

This week I put Minolta on the chopping block. It was a recommendation and, since I had no better ideas and the site is pretty b[...] why not?

Minolta's site may act[...]ly be alright content wis[...] don't really care about a[...]thing they have to say at t[...] point so maybe I'm no[...] great judge of that stuff

The look of the site [...] pretty bad though. It is v[...] plain and shows a dist[...] lack of creativity or de[...] They have these b[...] "world" hoops you have [...] jump through to get to y[...] "country." The sad thing [...] was already bored with [...] site by the time I got into [...] little "country" area.

It's not a ghastly site [...] just a really boring site.

Thats it for me.

Monday conversation with Demetrius Birch

By Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

Were you ever training Olympics?

I wasn't really training for Olympics I planned on ..be in four years trying run in Athens, Greece. right now I just want to

..p myself together, and a few meets around Ten..see, a few open meets see where I'm at right

With these objectives mind, why did you ..ose Southern?

I went to public school, but I ended up quitting track because I wanted to keep the Sabbath. I came to Southern with the intention of becoming a pastor, but those things changed when I came here. Now I'm just here going to school, and majoring in educational psychology. I planned on going next year to Kansas University, and trying to start running again, but who knows.

Did you play any little league sports?

Yes, I played tail back in seventh grade I remember that year I had like 1,600 yards rushing and almost 30 touchdowns. That was in seventh grade, and ever since then I've been pretty good. I had letters from all kinds of division 1 schools like Nebraska, Oklahoma, andTexas A & M wanting me to play football, but I decided that I wanted to run track, so I had to go to a junior college.

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Oklahoma for most of my life, but I was born in Missouri.

Why are you a Nebraska fan if you grew up in Oklahoma?

I just didn't like (Barry) Switzer, past head coach of Oklahoma University; I like the way Nebraska plays football, how confident they are, and their power running game.

Has the competition level of the Southern intramural program improved or declined?

Well, in football this year there is actually a lot of competition. I was here last year and there were only 2 good teams. This year almost eight teams could win the championship. In basketball I foresee a weak area with the leaving of some seniors like Jeff Guajardo and Robby Peterson. So I don't know how basketball is going to be this year, but I think it is going to be pretty weak.

Do you think Southern should have a competitive sports team like other Adventist colleges, or do you think we should leave it alone?

Well actually what I've seen since I've been here, and I don't think this is very good, is that we have a lot of people in these intramurals who end up not liking each other because they are competing against each other. People go to the same school and take the same classes and when they get out on that football field or the basketball court, they become enemies. You hear people saying, well he doesn't like me because of this or because of that, or they don't like the referees. So maybe they should get a team together, and maybe traveling, like a basketball team or a golf team or something like that. Not football of course.

With you being so fast, what is your actual 40 time?

Well I run about a 4 28 in the 40. It may not look like it because my strides are so long, but I run about a 4.2 In the 100-meter, I run about a 10.1 and that's probably my best race.

Top 10

Things overheard during the World Series

By Rob York

10. "How did these guys beat the Cardinals?"

9. "I'm not watching it. I hate New York. Uhm, what's the score?"

8. "I wonder how the TV reception is in Atlanta."

7. "Oh come on! It was only an 88 MPH slider! I could've hit that!"

6. "I have been a Yankees fan my whole life! No, I don't know who Joe DiMaggio is."

5. "Can we please stop seeing shots of Jeter?"

4. "I'm sure glad Bob Costas isn't announcing anymore."

3. "I stopped studying for that World Civ exam for this?"

2. "Where did all these Cardinals fans come from, anyway?"

1. "Maybe this wouldn't be a good time to talk to Negron about worship requirements."

Game updates: Football in review

By Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

Dunkel 19 vs. Johnson 0

Two number one teams, from the upper division one from the middle ..sion. The game was ..d, and Team Johnson Dunkel to one touch..n in the first half. John.. put together good drives just wasn't able to capi.. in the red zone. A lot of is because Dunkel's ..nse was playing tough their backs against the

..n the second half nothing ..ged except that Dunkel ..ed two touchdowns and shut out Team Johnson. ..n Appel played a great ..e at quarterback, and ..k Dietrich put a lot of ..sure on Kevin Johnson. Dunkel (5-0) plays Birch Dunkel beat Birch in first game, and is try.. to make it a perfect sea.. going into the playoffs

RA's 21 vs. Rouse 14

The RA's pulled off a ..e one and put them..es in good standing in ..r division. Bryan James ..ed the ball around well hit most of his receivers. ..enever I talk to Dean ..ron, he is always push.. his team, telling me how ..ch talent and potential ..y have. He is a big reason ..y are doing so well, being ..teran player for his team. ..e RA's have won two in a ..and don't want to slow ..n; they are playing great ..tball, and still have room improve.

Team Rouse lost for the ..n time and their next ..ne is against Castleberg ..2) who are second in the ..sion. The RA's next game must win against Cargile ..) who leads their divi..n, and don't look to be los.. any time soon. Good ..k RA's.

Birch 21 vs. Hamilton 18

What a squeaker. Birch should I say the fastest ..n in the school, looked to ..e this game put away. ..metrius was throwing the ..l well, and ran well even ..ugh he had pulled a groin ..scle and was hampered ..t before the game. Birch, who is a decent ..arterback but is known more for his runs, threw the ball well and was able to get it to his receivers. Hamilton, on the other hand, was picked off a couple times, was plagued all night by the defensive rushers and often lofted balls instead of being more aggressive with his throws Team Hamilton got it together late, but never really felt that it was their game to lose.

Birch (2-3) plays Dunkel (5-0) next. They lost to them the first time they played, and it isn't going to be any easier for them this time around either.

Lemon 7 vs. Barnett 6

Lemon helped solidify her first place position by beating second place team, Barnett. This game was a delight, and Lemon again showed why I think they are the team to beat.

Lemon won by riding the back of their defense, and did a great job of containing Barnett's potent offense.

Lemon (3-1) plays DeGrave (1-3) next.

Saints 6 vs. Edmister 0

Why Team Edmister didn't score, I don't know, but they had plenty of chances and just couldn't get that little brown ball in the end zone.

The Saints played intimidating defense, and had all their rowdy friends over for the night.

The refs made a good bit of calls that went against Team Edmister and had a lot to do with the game, missing illegal blocking calls where the blockers had their arms out and were moving Vicki Foster was frustrated with all the sacks that were called against her when the ball was already in the air or her arm was in motion They all played their hearts out, and each team survived to play another game.

Edmister (1-3) plays Alfonso (1-3) and it should be a good game. Team Edmister's competitive attitude is going to be hard to beat this time.

Dunkel 26 vs. Nudd 6

Ryan Appel was not available for this game, so that meant that Eric Dunkel would have to fill in and do the job. Dunkel did a good job, finding Mark Dietrich in the end zone for a score, and also connecting with Derek Nutt on several long plays from the line of scrimmage.

Erik Dempsey, who runs a pretty good option, was shut down and intercepted a couple of times. Mark Dietrich and Jeff Badillo were very effective rushers, and had some sacks on the night.

Nudd's next game is against team Johnson (2-3), their division rivals, the last time they met; Johnson edged them out in the final seconds to win. These are two good teams who will probably both go to the upper division playoffs.

Stuart 26 vs. T. Nudd 6

Nudd (1-4) was missing their quarterback, Rob Hayes, and it showed. Stuart had no mercy, attacking every defensive position, and got a warm-up game for playing team Watson.

I'll hand it to T. Nudd. He played aggressively and stuck to their unorthodox style of play, that is playing without a deep safety. Stuart had a good night at quarterback, and put the ball in the receiver's hands with ease.

T. Nudd's next game is against Hamilton (1-4) who is also coming off a loss Stuart (3-2) plays Watson (4-1) next.

Barnett 6 vs. DeGrave 0

I thought DeGrave just might get a wining steak going, and they were only seven points away from doing so. DeGrave has all the talent in the world to put something together in the playoffs and should do so. They are the sleeper, and will do great things. Just not on this night.

The game was 0-0 until Barnett scored and sealed the game with great defense. Carrie Barnett, who is building a strong case for Women's MVP, played with passion, like she could've been in Braveheart, except for the painted face.

DeGrave (1-3) plays Lemon (3-1) next, and it doesn't look good folks.

It should be a good game though.

Watson 13 vs. Johnson 12

These two teams played a scrimmage before the season began. Team Johnson ended up winning by a couple points, and if that was to be an indication on how this game would be, it was. Team Johnson drew blood first by connecting on an eight-yard TD pass. Team Johnson dominated the first half until, with less than thirty seconds left, Kevin Johnson threw an interception on Watson's own three yard line, which Randy Moore ran back for a touch down to make it 7-6 before the half.

Watson got the ball to start the second half, and got to Johnson's two-yard line on a long run from Bryce Reading. That's when two players by the name of Ben Richardson and Morgan Kocheoower sacked Matt Nafie four times to push team Watson back to mid-field. Watson then turned it over on downs. Lets fast-forward to the end of the game with 19 seconds left and Watson up 13-6. Johnson got the ball on their own 10 yard line and drove the length of the field, and with two seconds left on the clock scored a touchdown on a pass to Chad Gilmore, making it 13-12. Johnson decided to go for two and the win. The ball was hiked, Kevin threw a lateral to Chad Gilmore who threw to Eric Dingman who got two hands on the ball but couldn't hold on to it. And the game ended.

Johnson (2-3) plays Nudd (2-3) which is a must see game.

Lee 25 vs. Edmister 7

This game is closer than the score indicates, actually it wasn't, but it was still fun to watch. Laura Lee rallied her troops together, and played like a well-oiled machine beating team Edmister convincingly.

Crystal Edmister is coming off an ankle injury from last school year and still hasn't fully recovered. Football is the only intramural that she is going to be able to play because team doctors don't want to risk further injury. Crystal was a good sport in the loss, and as usual, gave a good cheer at the end

Team Lee has a tough road ahead of them playing in the Giants home stadium. The Giants are coming off a 7-0 win over team Alfonso. Team Lee, who plays the Giants on Oct. 25 at 6.45, is going to try to improve on their three game winning streak and stay in first place in their conference.

Team Edmister's next game is against the Giants, who are 2-0, on Oct. 23 at 5:45. Team Lee is hoping that Edmister can rough them up a little so their game won't be as hard.

Lemon 13 vs. DeGrave 6

Lemon, 2-1, got a score from, 0-3, DeGrave. Team DeGrave played them tough with their defense giving up only 13 points, but that's all Team Lemon needed to beat DeGrave by holding them to six.

Team Lemon made good defensive stands by holding off DeGrave in the end. DeGrave is due for a win and don't be surprised if it comes against their next opponent, Team Slagle. Slagle is 2-1 might slack up and underestimate them.

Team Lemon plays a tough game against Team Barnett who is also 2-1 Oct 25 at 5.45. Barnett lost their last game against Slagle, and is looking to rebound strong. It will be hard to hold them off.

Miller 40 vs. Cabrera 6

This was an impressive win for 1-2 Miller. Miller dominated the game, giving Team Cabrera no room for mistakes. Jason Shives played like an animal as did Alex Paulk, making a case for an MVP honor.

Cabrera just couldn't get it going, and fell to 0-3 on the year. Cabrera plays Jones (3-0) next on Oct. 23 at 5:45.

Miller plays Morris (2-1) next and will win, yes, that's right they will win. Miller is putting all the pieces to the puzzle together, and is going to win.

RA's 24 vs. Castleberg 19

The RA's played smart fundamental football and beat 2-1 Castleberg. Bryan James made good passes. Monte "Shaft" King, who was on the sidelines when I was watching was straight up, and was a quiet hero. Bandana man Ted Struntz, who is always the most intense player on the field, made sure his team stayed focused.

Castleberg, who's been riding the back of the swivel hip master, Nick Erickson, who helped Keyshawn Johnson write the book "Give me the #%*! Ball", just couldn't pull this one off. The RA's shut them down, and claimed their first victory of the season.

The RA's take their newfound offense up against 0-3 Rouse who are looking for their first win of the season.

Team Castleberg plays 1-2 Brodis next, and should bounce back. Nick really didn't help write that book.

Johnson 24 vs. B. Nudd 20

This was probably the game of the week. Nudd was putting their division leading 2-0 record on the line against 1-1 Johnson. The Game started off with both teams scoring on their first drives. Then lightening struck, no not really, and Chad Gilmore, of Team Johnson had a ball intercepted and run back for a touchdown to put Nudd up 13-6.

Johnson seored to start off the second half and put the score at 13-12, and then followed up with another score to put the score at 18-13. That didn't stop Team Nudd. Lead by Erik Dempsey at QB, Nudd drove the length of the field to put the score at 20-18 with under two minutes to go in the second half. Johnson had to make something happen. On the shoulders of Kevin Johnson it was crunch time for Team Johnson.

With three straight plays to center Cort Sommerville who was able to get out of bounds on all three to stop the clock, Team Johnson drove the length of the field to Nudd's 10 yard line. On the next play Chad Gilmore ran to the front left corner of the end zone and caught a pass, but it wasn't a touchdown. He caught it with inches to the goal line. With the ball inches away, Kevin dropped back and found Dustin Hackelman in the end zone to put Team Johnson up 24-20 with 12 seconds left.

Nudd Tried a last attempt with a "Hail Mary" but failed It was a good come from behind win for Johnson who now shares first place with B. Budd. Both DeGrave boys were rushing, one at a time and sometimes together, and were putting plenty of pressure on Kevin Johnson. Both teams played outstanding ball and have pulled away in the standings from the other two teams in their division.

B. Nudd plays Team Ohio (1-2) next and should beat them. Stuart has been relying too much on his receivers to make plays for him. For Ohio to beat Nudd, Chad Stuart needs to play solid and make good passes.

Team Johnson plays Dunkel (3-0) next and is looking to see if they can play at the top level.

T. Nudd 20 vs. Hamilton 14

One word, "Unreal". T. Nudd was an underdog coming into the game. Hamilton was missing their go-to receiver in Mike Freeland, and some would say it made a difference. A loss is a loss though.

In the first half, Rob Hayes connected with Jared Thurman on a touchdown and Bryce Fisher on another. Paul Tryon had a breakout game on defense; he had two interceptions and struck fear in the opposing team Aaron Farley also had a great game...from the sidelines. T. Nudd played most of the game without a deep safety, not because they chose too, but because I don't think they knew better

Hamilton just didn't seem like they were ever in to the game mentally, and tried to make a game of it late, but they were too far behind and too late to come back

T. Nudd goes on to play Team Birch (0-3). The record is deceiving because Birch has so much speed They'll whip T. Nudd, or should I say Team Money, into shape.

Hamilton's next game is against team Ohio, and should be a good game.

EDITORIALS

Accent doesn't endorse candidate

Election Day is less than a week away, and newspapers around the country are using their editorial pages to speak out in support of George W. Bush or Al Gore. Those who are familiar with the practice of using the editorial voice for political endorsement may have noticed the lack of official support for either candidate in the Accent. This is not an oversight, but a deliberate decision made by the editor-in-chief and the editorial page editor. The Accent readership deserves to know the reason for this decision.

The editorial page of a newspaper is the place for the official opinion of the paper to be expressed on a variety of issues. For large papers this is usually the opinion of the publisher. Clearly, the Accent does not have a corporate publisher to determine its official voice. An editorial board comprised of non-staff members is in the process of being formed, and in the future will determine the Accent's stance on current issues. In the mean time, on any significant issue the Accent attempts to express the opinion of the staff rather than that of a single writer. It is for this reason that editorials remain unsigned.

The overriding factor keeping the Accent from endorsing a presidential candidate is a lack of consensus within the staff. Members of the Accent's staff hold strongly divergent political beliefs, and an agreement on one of the candidates is impossible. For this reason the Accent has chosen to refrain from advocating Bush or Gore, but will instead continue to provide impartial information on the race in the news section and a variety of political views on the opinion page.

This paper's staff is united, however, in the desire that readers will educate themselves on the choices available and take advantage of the opportunity to voice their desires for the future of the America. The college-aged generation is often dismissed as apathetic and uninvolved, and for good reason. It's time for the generation that will live with the consequences of decisions being made now to take an interest in its own future.

Worship system improving

An editorial was written recently in the Accent pointing out weak spots in the dorm worship system in Thatcher South and offering suggestions for improvement. Since the editorial appeared, significant improvements have been made.

Thatcher South residents have received weekly updates on individual worship attendance, and the number of available worships left in October was posted in prominent places several times. The deans have made great efforts to help residents reach the required number of worships and to avoid another citizenship probation epidemic.

A survey was sent out to Thatcher South residents asking the most convenient time for an additional worship to be held in the conference center The preferred time was Thursday night at 7 p.m. according to the survey, said deans' assistants Amanda Boggess and Travis Boreen. A proposal is currently being prepared for presentation to the Talge and Thatcher deans which would establish a Thursday worship in most likely the TV room or the White Oak room, depending on how much space is needed, Boggess and Boreen said.

Having to attend worships in separate buildings is very inconvenient for conference center residents, particularly for the men who have to walk to Talge Hall. A Thursday worship in Thatcher South would not only offer residents a more convenient option, but it would also increase the chances for students to attend the required number of worships each month This is a commendable effort on the part of the Thatcher South deans, particularly Boggess and Boreen, to accommodate the needs of conference center residents.

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Letters to the Editor

Newspaper underappreciated

Dear Editor,

I have recently received several copies of the Accent. I was pleased to see all the ed/op pieces in the paper. The humor columns and top 10's throughout the paper were great as well

Keep up the good work. I know as a former editor that you do not get enough appreciation and some times just hear the bad. Good luck to all.

Hans Olson
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Library will maintain atmosphere for study

To Accent readers:

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Polling transportation unfair

I'm standing in Talge Hall, checking out the billboard to see if anything new and noteworthy is taking place. My eye catches something I think I like, "Want to Vote Early?" the sign reads, explaining that if one is registered already in Tennessee one may vote early. And, transportation will be provided! What a great effort this person is making. But wait, what's this? They'll only take people who will be voting for George W. Bush? I'm sorry, whoever you are that put this sign up...but not only is that sad, but ridiculous, immature and un-American. Now, granted, I am a Democrat. If you see a bunch of little position papers and Gore2000 propaganda all over, chances are I put it there or gave it to someone else to put it there. I am a 100% Democrat. But this just made me sick. I don't know if any of you ever read "The Jungle" by Upton Sinclair, but this reminded me of the rounding up of people, and taking them down to the polls and forcing them to vote for a certain candidate. Sad. For ev[...] one out there who do[...] pay attention to garbage [...] this.. good. Vote your [...] science, whatever it [...] Democrat, Republi[...] Reform, Green, Soci[...] whatever, if you vote, [...] voice your opinion you h[...] fulfilled your duty. Oh, [...] by the way, if you'd li[...] ride to the polls, give [...] call. You can come with [...] regardless of what [...] party is

Roger Prather,
junior English maj[...]

Drivers can take whomever they please to the polls

It has come to the attention of both the Republican and Democrat clubs here on campus that advertising had been done, offering to help those who want to vote early. The fact that the advertiser makes no bones about being a Republican and wants to help GW Bush win the race has drawn criticism. Let me make it clear that his ad is not endorsed by the Republican Club. But also let me make it clear that as a concerned citizen acting on his own, the writer of this ad has the right to do as he pleases, and endorse whomever he pleases At least his advertisements have not focused on the negative, like some of the Anti-Bush ads that [...] to have shown up on [...]pus. The right of a pr[...] citizen to speak his min[...] a political race is the [...] American thing of all.

Sincerely,
Rob York

Ellie's answers

Tired of being put on hold? There is hope!

Dear Ellie,

There are way too few outside phone lines for the dorms. Sometimes I've waited 2 hours for an open line. There must be some way to solve this problem. Thanks for your help

Sincerely,
Tied up in phone lines

Dear Tied up,

The phone line problem is being worked on! Recently, 23 lines were installed, enabling students to use Talkie Cards to make long distance phone calls For those of you who don't want to use a Talkie Card, there is hope too. The powers that be are considering purchase of another T-1 line to be used for 1-800 numbers and non-talkie calls This line will serve approximately 24 people. But for those of you who can't wait for that to happen, I highly recommend a Talkie Card! Information about Talkie Cards is available at the ID desk on the second floor of Wright Hall.

Finding answers,
Ellie

Questions, comments, or problems? Let Ellie's Answers help find a solution. Fill out one of the "Say What" forms and place it in the brass mailboxes located in Wright Hall or e-mail it to: saywhat@southern.edu.

Ellie will select a question and reply to it in a weekly column. This column is directed by the public relations office with a student employee researching and answering your questions.

"The first step toward liberation for *any* group is to use the power in hand . . . And the power in hand is the vote."
Helen Gahagan Douglas, quoted by Lee Israel in *Ms* magazine, October, 1973.

"Voting is the most basic essential of citizenship and I think that any man or woman in this country who fails to avail himself or herself of that right should hide in shame. I truly wish there were some sort of badge of dishonor that a non-voter would have to wear."
India Edwards, *Pulling No Punches*, 1977

"Unless drastic reforms are made we must accept that fact that every four years the United States will be up for sale, and the richest man or family will buy it."
Gore Vidal, *Reflections upon a Sinking Ship*, 1969

Eyes and ear[s]

Causing casual anarchy and governmental awareness on Southern's ca[...]

By Sonja Blau Lind
STAFF WRITER

Ah, alumni We avoid them and they avoid us. How polite of them to understand the natural order of things.

At odd moments of the day (for example, 1:38 pm), I crave a nonchalant ride on a bicycle. I want to capture the essence of my youth, see. Perhaps Alumni Weekend put me in this nostalgic mood. However, I see decreasingly less of those two-wheeled wonders. Ever notice? A wonder indeed.

Speaking of things taking four years to arrive, let's look at elections.

I am a non-American, but I decided to enlighten myself this year. I had a vague perception that I might be a Democrat, but lately I've had a conflict of character over whether I really am a Green supporter. It doesn't matter anyway, since, ultimately, I can't vote. Nevertheless, I am interested.

I log on to my loyal search engine, Ask.com, and type the question: "Which presidential candidate should I vote for?"

This leads to a survey, which, since I am addicted to online surveys, I fill out. The survey asks questions about my stance on environment, abortion, education, gun control, etc. (Etc., by the way, is a word you should NEVER use in any journalistic article, which is exactly why I used it) After five minutes, I am presented with my results.

Ladies and gentlemen, if I were an American, I would vote Green.

I encourage you to vote, because you can. Vote. Vote Vote. This is your coun[...]

Now, a word to the [...] 34 Canadians at Sou[...] We have the choice be[...] 13 parties during Can[...] Elections 2000, inclu[...] Communist, Marxist-[...] ist, Bloc Quebecois, [...] juana, Christian Her[...] etc. Good luck to all [...] this year.

Halloween is great. [...] excuse for dressing up. [...] Sometimes in a year, it'[...] to forget all the evils o[...] world...and become a [...] goddess. Yes. I was A[...] Any excuse for we[...] leaves on my head.

Isn't the weather lo[...] bask in the warmth of [...] nessee autumn we[...] Every sky smiles and [...] leaf sings, etc. Thank[...] it's fantastical. Ladie[...] gentlemen, stop stu[...] and stand outside.

A painting of His love

Janelle Chang

I yearn to paint! But I can't. Not even close. I don't share ancestry lines with Monet, Picasso or even Thomas Kinkade. In fact, if you were to take a look at my family tree you'd find that the only recognizable name would be Henry Ford. But as far as I know he isn't much of a painter either. And so I'm left with picturesque visions in my head but only equipped with skills advanced enough to make lopsided stick figures with Crayola washable water paints.

However, with your permission, I'd still like to paint. I'd like to transform my pen into a paint brush, my paper into canvas and my adjectives into acrylic oil colors. And I ask God to blend these tools to paint a masterpiece in your minds and etch His signature on your heart like the trademark that only a true artist leaves.

With a sturdy-bristled brush I lay the outline of the painting onto the spotless, white canvas carefully propped against an easel. The theme of the painting is "ordinary days," a collage of everyday events that take place from sunup to sundown. But perhaps when I'm finished you won't find that your days are quite so ordinary anymore.

In one corner of the canvas the morning sun is shaking off its slumber as its rays sweetly kiss the cheeks of you, still sleeping. Peacefully dreaming. Unstirred. Unaware. Nestling quietly under the covers of your bed.

Beside you, in your slumber, is yet another figure. On the floor. Kneeling. His appearance is soft. Gentle. Alluring. The tip of his thumb lightly caresses your cheek. His eyes are closed in prayer. The lines of His forehead are deep. Defined. He prays a desperate prayer requesting a hedge of protection over you. His child. His cherished. His Beloved. Light surrounds you. Perhaps it's visible to you, or perhaps it's not. Either way your eyes are closed. But maybe, just maybe, somewhere in the depth of your dream you feel the stroke of your Savior's hand. And possibly that barely visible tracing of a smile as you sleep is because you sense that before your feet even touched the ground this morning, Jesus was on His knees...for you.

Exchanging my paintbrush for a tiny-bristled one, I begin on another corner of the canvas.

With a steady hand I paint the intricacy of a purple-blossomed wildflower growing unnoticed beside the walkway. The tiny vessels of the leaves outlined in green add realistic wonder to the flower, and the blossom, alive with child-like personality, appears as if it's bobbing its head contentedly. Its petals like purple hand-spun silk beg to be touched

Smelled. Adored.

Lying on his side in the grass beside the delicate flower with his hand propped under his head, I paint an angel. He's waiting for you to appear on the sidewalk His expression appears as though it's just about time. He's studied your path. Your schedule. Your timing. And when you come into view, he'll softly blow at the long-stemmed beauty and hopes that you'll catch its fragrance as you whiz by. Stop. Pluck the miracle. And thank God for a surprise treasure. After all, He's placed it there just for you.

With scenes stored in my mind impatiently waiting to be painted, I scramble for a fresh spot on the partially completed painting. And resume. Anxiously. Excitedly.

With eager strokes I paint two figures; a young appearing male with a healthy, pink, natural blushed glow and a baby-faced female unsuspecting of the day's events before her.

Placing them on a pathway toward each other, both wear oblivious, unknowing expressions. In an attempt to capture a holy glow, I dip my paintbrush in a pearly white color and paint the hands of angles guiding their backs on the path toward an eventual surprise "chance" meeting. The faces of the angels are joy-lit and deep dimples crown their smiles as they carry out their "order from above."

Rinsing my brush, I pause a moment to envision the next scene. It must be done with reverence. With accuracy. With compassion.

I draw a breath. Adjust my stance. And let God guide my brush. There he sits Twenty-two years old with tear-stained cheeks and the pain of the world deep in his eyes. His shoulders are slumped. Exhausted. Burdened. And his hands appear quivering in his lap. His once youthful-looking flare has faded like the coals of a dying fire and only the shadows of one-time happy memories remain. He looks at you sitting across from him in desperation and his eyes beg for relief. Hope. Escape.

With one hand of comfort on his shoulder, your face is turned away from him and you're listening intently to answers that are not your own. The same gentle figure that prays over you in your sleep now squats beside you and is whispering in your ear. Recalling promises Rekindling assurance. Reviving strength. He is listening through your ears.

Counseling through your mouth. Comforting through your touch. He could do the job without you, but He loves you enough to let you pretend.

With a fresh, new fine-bristled brush I paint the giggling face of a baby in your arms. Her smile assures you that she's happy but her arms are outstretched toward her side. You see no one else around you and your forehead's wrinkled and confused. But still the child keeps reaching and to you her giggle is bewildering. With the color of holiness I paint a she-angel tickling the infant's nose with the tips of her silken wings. The child keeps on reaching...you keep on wondering...and the angel keeps on tickling.

The canvas is nearly finished but there still remains an empty space. I rinse my paint-soaked brush and complete the final scene.

Sleepy from the lazy day, I paint you lying on your back with the grass as a mattress and your arm as a pillow The night sky fills your view, and the day fills your thoughts.

Angels lay beside you and head to head you stare up at the sky. And somewhere deep inside of you you're sure that you're experiencing a miracle. Right here. Right now. And with angels as close companions you count the day's whispered blessings like children count the stars . . .

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Long live the republic!

Dave Leonard

America is one of the greatest nations in the world. Its citizens enjoy good living standards, economic prosperity, public infrastructure, and, most importantly, freedom.

There is only one way to guarantee freedom and that is the right to vote. The forefathers of this nation fought a revolutionary war for independence, with many giving their lives to guarantee the basic concept of freedom, and therefore, the right to vote. Over the last 200 years, Americans have given their lives selflessly in the name of freedom. Whether it was the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Civil War, World War I, World War II or the Persian Gulf War, American lives have been lost in the defense of freedom. One would think, considering the circumstances, that Americans would turn out to vote in droves

Unfortunately, that does not seem to be the case.

It seems that many Americans, especially those between the ages of 18 and 25, could care less about guaranteeing their freedom. Overall voter turnout is expected to be less than 50 percent of all eligible voters, and only 12 percent among voters between the ages of 18 and 25. Such results cast a dismal pall over the state of civic awareness in this nation.

Many of you feel that your vote does not count. Many of you feel that voting does not effect you And many of you just do not care to vote at all.

For those of you who fall into the above three categories, take heed, for what you think about voting is very wrong.

You should vote, even if you are unsure of the issues. You can use the "write-in vote" option, if you cannot tell the difference between the two major parties' candidates, or the platforms of the third party candidates.

And while we are on the subject, this is my recommendation for who to vote for in the presidential elections . . Republican George W. Bush, Governor of Texas.

I am voting for Bush because he stands for tax breaks, while the other candidate stands for more taxes.

I am voting for Bush because he stands for more community control over local education, while the other candidate stands for a national education policy based on the concept that "one size fits all".

I am voting for Bush because he stands for a strong military and a realistic foreign-policy, while the other candidate has served in an administration that has weakened the armed forces and blithered about in international relations.

I am voting for Bush because he stands for Constitutional rights (including the right to bear arms), while the other candidate stands for violating one of the personal freedoms guaranteed by the founding fathers.

I am voting for Bush because he will let you invest some of your Social Security money in private investment funds, while the other candidate wants to go on with the same old way of wasting taxpayers money on failed Social Security ventures.

I am voting for Bush because he will return honor and integrity to the Office of the Presidency, while the other candidate defends many of the personal embarrassments of the incumbent President.

I am voting for Bush because he will honor American sovereignty and not quibble before foreign powers, while the other candidate has served in an administration that has allowed China to steal classified military technology and turned its head the other way when Russia sold weapons to Iran.

I am voting for Bush because he will tell the truth no matter the situation, while the other candidate has three different answers for every question and loves to take credit for things he never did.

I am voting for Bush because he will reach across that great divide of partisan bickering and work with his political opponents, while the other candidate relishes in political bickering.

Finally, I am voting for Bush because he trusts the American voters on what they need and want from their government, while the other candidate sees big government and its ineffective bureaucracy as the final solution.

But just because I am voting for Bush should not influence your decision on whether or not you should vote.

You should vote because this is one of the closest elections in U.S. history, and your vote WILL make a difference

You should vote because your vote counts for even more on the state and county level, especially when it comes to taxes, infrastructure, utilities, law enforcement and other local issues.

You should vote just because there are millions of people around the world who do not have this right and they would do anything to have such a right.

You should vote to prevent the fall of this nation. The Roman Empire's decline and fall was not caused initially by invaders but because its citizens did not care for civic affairs, rather entertainment and recreation America is in danger of repeating the Romans' mistakes if current voting trends continue as they are

Finally, you should vote to guarantee your livelihood, well-being, Constitutional rights and freedom. Only then can a true democracy fully work if its citizens take the initiative in guiding it.

Make yourself heard this coming Tuesday, November 7. Vote and make a difference. By doing so, you are guaranting the freedom enjoyed by this great nation.

Dave Leonard is a senior mass communications major from North Carolina.

Stoves and bowling balls

Harmony Tillerson

Chomp, chomp. Yum. Cheetos and gingersnaps.

So I go to this party, right? It's a costume party Very kosher, very wholesome-just a bunch of us kids from Southern dressed weird hanging around a house eating cookies and cheese cubes

It was a good Saturday night activity. It sure beat going to the $2.25 theater and watching (fill in blank here) AGAIN. So there we were, chilling in the living room and laughing at ourselves.

Then our hostess (a.k.a. Prom Queen) told us that we had to break up into five groups.

So we did. We're complacent. And quite bright, too.

There was a whirlwind of activity as each group was given a map to a random neighborhood and . .

A drinking straw.

Okay. Neat.

Our goal. to go door to door and convince people to trade something bigger or better for the straw and keep going until we had an item that was sure to win competition, surely.

At least the straw was the bendy kind. That sure gave us bartering leverage.

So after we finally found the Horseshoe Bend community, we piled out and began our quest. We were polite. No walking on lawns. We didn't use slang and we smiled a lot.

A very nice Vols fan (you can always tell, you know-big orange "T" in the front yard) traded the straw for an alarm clock. His next door neighbor traded the clock for a bowling ball. The couple across the street traded their Better Homes & Gardens hose winder for the ball We were making progress.

After another nice man gave us a junky exercise bike (we refused to take his son . . . that just seemed wrong) we were killing the competition, surely.

However, the best was yet to come. The next house gave us a dishwasher.

And a stove.

Yep. Appliances.

I could not believe that we started with a magenta drinking straw and somehow charmed our way into a working and in good condition dishwasher. AND a stove, for goodness sake.

Well, we weren't really that charming. They just wanted to clean out their garage. Either way, we were undeniably kicking butt.

The couple kept saying we were a "blessing." A blessing! Imagine that! Us, a bunch of ladybugs and Hollywood Superstars and 70's Retro Men and Bad Ideas (that was me-don't ask).

So. Needless to say, we won the game. Not to gloat or anything.

And it made me think.

I went on this outing expecting to have doors slammed in our smiling autumn faces. For people to roll their eyes and tell us to go away. I guess I underestimated our attractive quality.

It did my heart good to find that there are neighborhoods outside of Collegedale with nice people in them that have a sense of humor and a soft spot for college students.

Besides wondering what we could have gotten if we only had one more hour-which, at the rate we were going, would have been DRIVABLE-the experience made me wonder why we don't venture out more often.

To watch those strangers laugh at us and their suspicious faces become huge grins gave me a really good feeling.

It would be nice for people to know who we are.

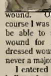
Besides just being overachievers who want to raid their garage for something "bigger or better," of course.

Wow. And I thought the bowling ball was cool.

But stoves and dishwashers are much, much better.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

The infectious love



Jonathan Geach

We know that we are supposed to love others unconditionally. Agape love is what Christ expects from us, yet I didn't always know what agape meant. This is what agape means to me.

Ruth was a kind lady with diabetes who regularly came into the doctors office where I worked. One day when she arrived she was in a wheelchair due to an infection on her foot.

This is a very bad thing for a diabetic. Diabetic people have many problems with their feet and in many cases get such bad infections that they have to have their feet amputated.

Ruth was not only in a lot of pain, she was very scared.

So, I quickly took her vital signs and went to get a doctor. After the doctor had seen her he came to me and asked me to dress her wound. Of course I was very excited to be able to see a diabetic wound for myself. I had dressed wounds before, but never a major one like this.

I entered the room, said hello and got the dressings together. As I bend down to start dressing the wound, a sickening aroma met me on the way. I can truly say that it is the worst thing I have ever smelled in my life. Now that I was closer I could see the infection for myself and it made my stomach churn. The foot and ankle were swollen to about twice their normal size. The infection itself was raw and oozing fluid. I felt like there was absolutely no way I could dress this wound. Then a thought hit me. What about this poor lady. I only had to dress the wound, I didn't have to live with it. Once I stopped thinking about myself and started thinking about the other person things changed immediately. I was no longer concentrating on her infection, I was concentrating on the person who I knew God loved.

I think this is what agape love is really about. It is trying to see others through God's lens, instead of your own. Although I am glad I met Ruth, I am even more thankful that God showed me how rewarding it is to love others unconditionally.

Jonathan is a senior chemistry major from Georgia.

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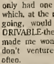

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Haluska's trip from army to teaching

By Debbie Battin
Staff Writer

Jan Haluska saw nothing in his future.

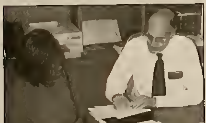
After flunking out of college twice, he was in his late 20's with no job. Looking for some meaning in life, he decided to join the U.S. Army. In the army, he began to drink and turned away from his Christian roots. On the weekends he enjoyed playing in a jazz band, but it was not enough. Despair and loneliness imprisoned him. Plans of suicide invaded his every thought. Finally one Sunday, after a deeply depressing night, he remembered his Christian upbringing. Urged to get on his knees, he began to talk to God, "If you are out there, do something with me."

Life continued, but something was happening. He couldn't quite put his finger on it, but people started talking to him about off-the-wall subjects. Strangely they mentioned aviation.

There was an airfield nearby, and soon he began to take flying lessons and ground school. Believing that God was directing his life, Haluska began to look for a school that had a four-year degree in aviation. His past failures in college made him reluctant to go back to school. He heard about a little college called Pacific Union Missionary College, and decided to apply.

The army had been an intimidating place for him, but it was nothing compared to the fear he felt showing his grades and application to the admissions office. He had never been so scared in his life. Everywhere he looked there were successful, ambitious young people, and he saw himself as a failure. They asked him if he drank, or attended films. He gave all the wrong answers and obviously looked like a non-Adventist.

After consideration, just as he expected, they did not accept him.



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Jan Haluska reviews a college composition essay with freshman Brandy Floyd.

Haluska could have lost faith, but he decided that God had a plan for him.

"God has a place for me, and if PUC is not it, then I don't want to be here anyway," he said to the admissions officers.

One of the men there was impressed by him and thought he had potential. This man later heard that Haluska had not been accepted. Even though 200 Adventists were turned away because there was not enough room, this man arranged for him to come on a probation basis.

His first experience with Adventists was very good. He thought they were some of the nicest, friendliest people he had known. He noticed that they were very cultured and smart. He especially enjoyed the musical groups. He had traveled internationally in the army, and connected immediately with the returned student missionaries. He was happier and healthier than he had ever been.

He took Bible studies there, and asked many questions. He began to understand the Bible literally instead of metaphorically as his religious background had taught him. Although he, like any other dorm student, did not like required worships, the messages he heard began to break down walls he had inside. In 1971 at the end of the school year he was baptized into the SDA church.

But his plans for flying did not seem to be going anywhere. At that time only the Vietnam War veterans were being hired as commercial pilots, and Haluska found himself flat on his back again turning to God, "Lord, do something with me."

One day a dorm student came by his room and asked if Haluska could help him translate a poem for his literature class. Instantly he knew what the poem meant, and helped the guy. Later he thought, "Why me? I'm a tech guy. Why would he ask me?"

That guy was the first of many students who stopped by looking for help in English. Haluska even asked some of them if they were telling their friends, but none of them seemed to know why they had come to him specifically.

Haluska began to pray about it, "God, if you are trying to tell me something . . ." He talked to the teachers in the English department, and began to work as a tutor there. He found that he had the ability to teach, and took a few courses in English.

God led Haluska to continue his education in English, and eventually get his Masters and Doctorate degrees. Haluska was led to Southern College in 1982, and has been an exceptional asset to the English department for 18 years.

Haluska summarizes his experience with God in one verse. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:5, 6).

God created the Sabbath for rest

On many Sabbath afternoons, not many years ago, I remember sitting in my living room complaining to myself, "I sure wish I could go play tennis!" As the sun would wander down the western horizon, my friends and I would be pacing, looking at our watches. We were going to leave the house so we could get to the mall or theatre just after sundown.

Even though I was "taking a break" from the regular weekly routines, I confess now that I was not really enjoying the Sabbath rest. If you have ever shared this kind of Sabbath experience, you can be sure you're missing the point. At its heart, the Sabbath teaches a beautiful experience of salvation.

Why did God rest on the seventh day Sabbath? Clearly, it was not because He got tired, because He is all-powerful. The Bible records two simple reasons: what He created was "very good," and what He created was "finished" or completed (Gen 1:31-2:1). God had provided a beautiful garden for Adam and Eve. Their first full day of life was on the Sabbath, resting in the perfect and complete work of creation. They did not plant any other trees to add to God's creation. They just rested in it as a gift from God.

While on earth, Jesus lived a perfectly sinless life and paid the penalty of death for us on the cross. When Jesus took His last breath, He declared, "It is finished!" (John 19:30) Just as creation was finished on the sixth day, so Christ's earthly

Billy Gager

ministry was finished on the cross on the sixth day.

Through Jesus' life and death, God offers everyone a perfect and complete salvation. The Sabbath is a memorial of the accomplished salvation that He offers to every one of us. When we accept this gift, we don't need to plant any more trees of good works to add to God's salvation. We simply rest in it as a gift from God.

Hebrews 4:9-10 s[...] "There remains, then, a S[...] bath-rest for the people [...] God; for anyone who en[...] God's rest also rests f[...] his own work, just as [...] did from His." Every [...] Friday evening comes [...] look in my mind's eye to [...] vary I think of the per[...] righteousness of Jesus [...] the shameful death [...] endured for me. Each S[...] bath is a token of His [...] because I know my salva[...] is sure in Jesus.

The Sabbath is not "ju[...] break" from weekly [...] tines. It is a chance [...] remember that we can [...] earning our salvation [...] good works. It is a gi[...] time with a special bles[...] of His redemptive prese[...] to bring our lives into [...] mony with His will. So [...] next Sabbath, I hope you [...] answer Jesus' call. [...] pleads, "Come to Me, all [...] who are weary and b[...] dened, and I will give [...] rest. Take my yoke u[...] you and learn from Me, [...] am gentle and humble [...] heart, and you will find r[...] for your souls" (Matt 11[...] 29).

Billy is the FaithXP[...] editor.

Devoting time

By Brad Hyden
Special to the Accent

Time.

We are not blessed with an abundance of it. Each of us has the same 24 hours to be able to do all that we may desire.

Time has a twin sister. Her name is money.

Like time, money is something we never have enough of and, if possible, we would like to have more. And should by some chance we actually gain time or money, it is shortly thereafter that we spend it and once again find ourselves needing more.

Max Lucado once wrote, "Our time goes to the highest bidder." This leads me to ask who has bid the highest price for your time?

It wasn't too long ago when I was confronted by a professor here at Southern with a very simple question. He asked when I have my daily devotions.

At the time, I thought I could cringe. I did not have daily devotions.

I didn't have the time for doing devotions daily. I was too busy. Someone or something else had bid a higher price for my time. As a result of this choice, I gained roughly 30 minutes to my day.

But, I didn't immedia[...] see that I lost my rela[...] ship with Jesus.

It didn't take me long [...] place the two equa[...] together to note the di[...] ence between thirty m[...] utes lost to an eternity [...] It took me less time to [...] cover that the One [...] whom the Bible is wri[...] paid for my attention in [...] blood.

Today my time is [...] going to the highest bid[...] That is first and foremos[...] Jesus. Having done th[...] can no longer say that I [...] too busy to have devo[...] but rather that I am too [...] not to.

Professional "crastination"

I am not a pro in any sport.

In most other things I would qualify at least as an amateur. However to every rule there is an exception and for me the exception is crastiantion. Immediately you may want to scream, "There is no such thing!" I would have to disagree. You see I am a procrastinator.

I have to admit most of my life I have been a professional "crastinator". If it could be "crastinated" I have. If it could not be "crastinated" I attempted it anyway. The whole embodiment of my habit I would like to tell you about in as great a detail as possible! Later.

It was anything but a typical morning when my family woke up. The alarm clock was blaring and my eyes were barely capable of opening when I glanced at the time. It was 7:30. Immediately my body went into the "I AM LATE" convulsions. You know the ones I am talking of, when the upper part of your body says take a shower and the lower part says get dressed. It is never an

Brad Hyden

enjoyable thing and most times I wind up a disheveled mess. This was to be a similar experience for not only did I wake up late but my wife and daughter did as well. To make matters worse, my daughter had to be at school by 8:00.

The evening before my daughter had her little girl friends over. The girls were highly proficient at small-scale mass destruction, and in order to wake up my little girl I had to wade through what appeared to be the remains of a weekend Barbie trip without Ken but 50 of her closest friends after a tornado has struck.

In the process of getting my daughter ready we discovered she had lost her shoes. Hurriedly we looked to see if the "tornado" had deposited them under the bed or perhaps in the makeshift Barbie weekend home. After many fruitless moments we simply could not locate the missing footwear. Bitterly disappointed my daughter had to wear the greatest fashion risk that she owned.

You know, we tend to put a lot of things off in life. We rest cozily, having played to our hearts content. But someday the alarm clock is going to go off, and we must be wearing our robes. The robe I am speaking of is the Robe of Christ's righteousness that He is prepared to give us to wear to His wedding feast. Now is the time to determine whether or not we have stuffed it under the bed or put it into the closet. Now is the time to discern whether or not we even have the correct one or not. Soon Christ will come and the trump shall sound. Soon those who are asleep will be caught up to be with Him. Will we have our robes, or will we be weeping and bitterly disappointed like my daughter was? The time is now; let us not continue to be professional "crastinators."

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Bread for the hungry: A student mission story

By Catherine Louis
Special to the Accent

Hello!! I am really enjoying myself in Prague. I know that this will definitely be an experience where I can draw closer to God and hopefully share Him with others. I have really nice students and teaching English isn't as hard as I thought it would be! I thought that I would share an experience with you that really touched me.

The other day I was on my way back to my apartment from the grocery store. I had often seen homeless people digging through the dumpsters outside our apartment buildings. It always made me feel terrible. I didn't know how I could help. It was almost as if God put me in this situation that day for a reason. Before I had never had any food with me and the language barrier was also a problem. I had never done anything and that made me feel even worse. This day was different. It was also one of the saddest cases I had seen.

There was a family - a mother and father with three small children (a girl and two boys). They were all digging through the trash, looking for food. I thought I was going to burst into tears. It was so sad. I panicked for a second because I knew that I had groceries but I didn't want to offend them.

At one point the parents and the little girl had their backs turned to me. I walked up to the two little boys and handed them a loaf of bread and some fruit. The expression on their faces was so beautiful. They were beaming. I was amazed at the sweetness in these children. They repeatedly said "dekuju! dekuju!" (which means thank you). I smiled at them and walked away before I really did begin to cry.

Even though it was [...] derful to share with th[...] ily, the experience mad[...] so sad because I cons[...] remember the expre[...] on those boys' faces w[...] gave them just a s[...] amount of food. I th[...] about how often we ta[...] granted what we have [...] forget about those who [...] nothing.

I just thought I [...] share this story with [...] because those little [...] really touched my li[...] made me realize how m[...] truly have. If they can [...] grateful for someth[...] small, how much [...] grateful should I be? [...] better run now. I've g[...] of English papers to gr[...] hope that everythin[...] Southern is going [...] miss you guys!

Love,
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ERUSALEM — Pales-ans are seeking an inter-ional protection force pite U.S. and Israeli ections as new clashes pted in the West Bank Gaza Strip on Tuesday. b Erekat, the chief Pales-an negotiator, said the estinians insisted that an rnational force be loyed in the West Bank Gaza Strip. "We want to e the lives of our people," told a news conference esday Israel's navy, anwhile, said a suicide nber apparently was ard a fishing boat that loded overnight near an eli patrol boat off the a Strip. The Israeli ves-was not damaged

ONDON — Surgeons ounced Tuesday that y have completed a gthy operation to sepa-e conjoined twin s, a complex procedure involved letting one of infants die so the onger one would have a nce at a normal life. St. ry's Hospital in Man-ster said the stronger n was in "critical but sta-" condition

MADRID, Spain — lice broke up a Basque aratist commando group Madrid on Monday that y have been just days y from staging an attack, government said Tues-. Two women and two n who belong to the ed Basque separatist up ETA, which has been ting for Basque indepen-ce for 30 years, were ested.

MOSCOW -- Commu-s marched in Russia and er former Soviet ublics Tuesday to mark 83rd anniversary of the shevik revolution. wds of mostly elderly rchers lamented their inished political clout the loss of Soviet world er while accusing horities of ignoring eco-ic troubles In Russia, eches and slogans ed the fiercely anti-gov-ment sentiment of ent years. This year, for mple, marchers had little icism for Russia's new sident, Vladimir Putin.

JOHANNESBURG, uth Africa — Two pas-ger trains crashed head-late Tuesday afternoon, ing at least two people, ws reports said. The two tro Rail trains reportedly re on the same track en they collided near the hannesburg neighbor-od of Germiston, accord-g to police. Emergency ws were trying to free sengers trapped inside r badly mangled cars, e report said

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Collegedale rejects beer law ordinance

By Daniel Olson
Staff Writer

Confronted by strong public opposition, the Collegedale Commission voted 5 to 0 against an ordinance that would have allowed on-site consumption of beer at eating establishments built in a newly-created zone near Interstate 75.

More than 30 Collegedale residents addressed the commissioners and 150 people in attendance during a public hearing Monday. The crowd, most of whom opposed the ordinance, included about 20 Southern students and faculty

The public speakers were applauded as they mentioned religious beliefs, health reasons, public safety, community influence and economic development as reasons to oppose the ordinance to allow beer by the drink. Beer, by definition, has an alcohol content of up to 5 percent.

Justin Carris, a sophomore general studies major, said that he has seen lives affected by alcohol.

"Part of the reason I came to Southern was because Collegedale did not have alcohol," Carris said.

Actually, as a result of an annexation in 1997 that stretched the Collegedale limits to the south side of Lee Highway, two restaurants exist within the limits that have a county beer permit.

But residents resisted expanding the zone in which beer could be served. The proposed zone was within 1,500 feet of I-75 and would have included the area in Ooltewah behind Taco Bell and Arby's.

Roy Dingle, a resident of Collegedale for 26 years, expounded on the safety implications, saying that allowing beer to be served in those locations would make the surrounding roads susceptible to a disaster.

"We have some of our highest accident rates in that area," Dingle said. "And I say 'no' to putting [more] beer in our town."

Jan Haluska, professor of English, favored the ordinance, and he questioned if someone had made plans to construct a business in that zone.

Collegedale Mayor Preston Jones confirmed that such plans had been made.

"We are a Christian community," Haluska said, "and we don't want to victimize one man."

Commissioner Jimmy Eller seemed to share Haluska's view of not wanting to force Adventist beliefs on Ooltewah citizens.

"We are in charge of the public's interest . . . not just an Adventist perspective," Eller said, as all five commissioners are Seventh-day Adventist.

"There are other people in this community," Eller added. "And we have no ability to impose our morals just because we have a boundary line on some property."

Eller, along with Vice Mayor David Magoon and Commissioner Chuck Whiddeo, voted against the ordinance after voting for it during the first reading.

Voting in favor of the ordi-

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Cady Von Dolson/Staff Photographer

Michael Herr, senior business administration major, and Brian Arner, junior history major, meet two Oakwood College students at D.E.E.P. Sabbath, which was held at Oakwood College last weekend.

SA bikes continue to be broken

Out of 21 blue bikes purchased by the Student Association for students to use on campus, approximately 12 are actually available at any given time.

Four of the bikes are currently completely out of commission. Several others are brought to campus safety each week with broken chains, flat tires, bent rims, and other minor problems to be fixed

David Conrad, junior psychology major, has been hired by the student association to fix the bikes that are broken each week.

"When I go up to work at campus safety, there's usually half of them broken," he said. Out of the four that are unusable, three of them will eventually be fixed, once Conrad orders new parts for them. "The fourth is completely destroyed," Conrad said, "and I'm using it for parts to fix the other bikes."

Paul Myers, student association vice president, believes that the bikes are broken much more frequently than students' personal bikes because no one's going to treat a bike like their own.

"Also, the school bikes get ridden about every fifteen minutes while personal bikes get more like one to four hours of use a week. The school bikes wear out a lot quicker." Myers adds, "I don't feel like it's direct vandalism, but it's more maintenance than I'd originally thought."

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

David Conrad, junior psychology major, fixes one of the SA bikes that has been broken.

When asked what is causing the most typical problems with campus bikes, Conrad explained that a lot of them are missing kickstands, and when students arrive at a building they just throw the bike onto the ground in their hurry to get to class. Riding bikes down steps and carrying passengers on the handlebars are two other common causes of problems.

However, according to Myers, students sometimes take the initiative to fix bike problems on their own. They'll put air in a flat tire, or put a chain back in place that has slipped off.

"Preventive maintenance is the best way to fix this problem," said Myers. "Don't just fix what is wrong."

Still, the biggest problem so far with the new bicycles is the unavailabilty. Students cannot find one when they need one

Part of this problem is the number of bicycles broken at a time.

"I'm limited to my hours because of the SA budget," said Conrad. Students break the bikes as fast as they can be fixed. "Each week at some point there should be 17 bicycles out there, but it's kind of a vicious cycle."

"If the senate approved it, I'd like to buy maybe five more bicycles," said Myers.

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Fire returns to Biology Trail

Fire Marshall closes trail as blaze burns for eight days

By Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

Rain helped to contain the 10 acre fire on the Biology Trail that started last Saturday and continued to burn for eight days.

Because of the fire and the hazard of the area, the Fire Marshall closed the trail and it has remained that way for over a week.

According to Chief Dennis Thomason of the Tri-Community Fire Department, the main concern that the forestry service has right now are holes left by burned-out stumps and trees waiting to fall.

"We have been getting calls from (Southern Adventist University) requesting that the trail be re-opened but until forestry decides that the area is safe it will remain closed."

The fire departoient believes the fire started on Saturday afternoon due to a campfire that was not completely put out and was left unattended. The first fire burned approximately two acres along the ridge of the trail before firefighters managed to control the fire with brush rakes and portable water sources. Due to the distance from the road and water sources, fire vehicles were not able to carry water to the fire scene.

The fire was contained late Saturday night and the fire department continued to check the status of the fire for the next few days. However, on Wednesday the fire again was raging and the forestry service was called to the scene to contain the nearly 10 acre fire.

"With a brush fire you can only hope you've put it out and contained it," said Chief Thomason. "We believe that the first fire burned under our lines and that the second fire was the result."

As of this past Saturday the fire was contained and mostly extinguished. However the fire that remains is underground, burning tree roots, leaving dangerous stump holes with hot coals inside. Many of the holes were still smoking due to the underground fires when it was checked on Saturday

Because of the dense roots forestry brought in a bulldozer and plowed a line completely around the burning area. This was much more effective in containing the fire than the previous raking. The four forestry members then conducted a back-burn around the fire to remove the fuel close to the fire line and to contain the fire within the plowed area.

Nineteen firefighters monitored the lines on Wednesday so that no burning materials would cross the line and start a new fire.

D.E.E.P students serve as senators

By Della Stoica
Staff Writer

Every year, seven students from Southern trade places with seven students from Oakwood College, a historically black college in Huntsville, Ala., about 90 minutes away from Southern in the Diversity Education Exchange Program (D.E.E.P).

This year, two D.E.E.P. students, Marnel Niles and Robert Roland, are members of the student senate.

Student Association President David Warden said that the S.A. is considering creating a seat in the Senate especially for students in D.E.E.P.

"This seat would be filled by an Oakwood student first semester and a Southern student in the program second semester. In this case, the students would be appointed instead of elected, and they would be responsible for contacting different ethnic groups instead of the people on their halls."

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Marnel Niles, junior communication major, and Robert Roland, freshman religion major, are two D.E.E.P. students on this year's student senate. This is the first year that D.E.E.P. students have been senators.

Marnel Niles, an Oakwood junior studying advertising, is on Southern's Student Senate. She is a D.E.E.P student.

"I wanted to get involved in activities at Southern. It's a great way of meeting new

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nance the first time allowed a public hearing to take place, Eller said.

Carin Orange, a senior nonprofit management major, doubted the ordinance would have much effect on Collegedale.

"I favor the smart development of Collegedale," Orange said "I don't believe [the ordinance] will increase the drunkenness and crime in the community." Orange added that she believes alcohol ruins lives.

Chris Richards, a Collegedale resident, was skeptical about the idea that the ordinance would attract high-class restaurants.

"The upscale restaurants will not move in unless they have a license for more concentrated alcohol."

Vinita Sauder, vice president of marketing and enrollment at Southern, agreed.

"We have a conservative market, and money has been drawn in to Collegedale based on a conservative base."

Commissioner Bert Coolidge, also a business professor at Southern, voted against the ordinance the first time, and he said he talked with students about alcohol availability.

"Students are not in the dark about where to get [alcohol]," Coolidge said.

Mayor Jones repeatedly thanked the audience for their participation and apologized for the lack of chairs that forced about 40 of the audience to stand.

"We appreciate the public's input on the meeting."

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which would make up for the four that are broken.

"But for now," he adds, "to keep as many bicycles available to the students as possible, students should be responsible and not abuse the bikes."

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people and helping others. It's a feel-good thing."

Niles described her decision to apply for D.E.E.P. as "spur-of-the-moment."

"It took a week or so to get used to it, but as Adventists, as Christians, we need to be able to adjust to different communities. I won't be working with black people my whole life," she said.

Paul Myers, Student Association executive vice president, said that a student serving in the Senate will swap seats with Robert Roland and that someone will be appointed to take Marnel Niles' place when they return to Oakwood College. D.E.E.P. is currently in its third year. The program started when Southern's the student bodies and administrations."

Niles said she would encourage people to become involved in the program but warns that it might be harder for Southern students to go there, because there are only about five white students at Oakwood, while Southern is more diverse.

Loran Haugsted, a senior religion student at Southern, attended Oakwood College for the first semester of last year through D.E.E.P. "It was a really good experience for me—I really enjoyed it. I enjoyed Oakwood just as much as Southern and wouldn't have a problem going to school there." Lakeisha Bonner is also involved in the

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Justin Carris, sophomore general studies major, speaks in opposition to the beer by the drink ordinance at the Collegedale Commission meeting

president, Dr. Bietz and Oakwood's president, Dr. Baker, were traveling together and discussed having students from their colleges switch places for a semester.

"I don't think they imagined the results," Nile said. "Communication between the two institutions has increased tremendously in exchange program. "I wanted to give Southern a try and this was my opportunity. I really think it's important, especially in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, to learn the various cultures, because understanding them helps you be a better person. Heaven will be like this."

Gym clinic has finale

By Larry Baxter
Staff Writer

It was a night of loud music, flying girls, and spandex suits. The Southern Union Gymnastic Clinic ended last Saturday night with routines from all the participating schools, including Southern's Gymmasters.

This was the conclusion of an intensive, half-week clinic put on by Rick Schwartz and the Gymmasters.

Acrosport teams were able to work on skills such as tumbling and throwing. Then they displayed those skills Saturday night in a massive performance.

The performance featured the academy teams stacking themselves into all sorts of human high-rises. Groups of three would grasp arms and propel a girl into the air where she would do a graceful backflip and come back down to their arms. Gymnasts went tumbling down both a floor of air, and a floor of fiberglass rods, turning flips, layouts and back handsprings like a turbo-charged slinky.

Erika Davis of Mt. Pisgah Academy said, "I'm tired and sore, but it was fun."

Southern students not participating as gymnasts also enjoyed the show.

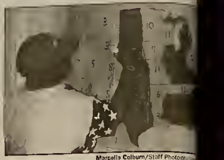
"The performance was off the charts," said Ryan Sargeant, a freshman marketing major.

Manuela Vela, a sophomore religion major, said he liked Tampa Adventist Academy's routine, with its Christian music and drug-free message.

"I loved the outfits," said Sonja Lind, junior English and mass communications major. "I wanted to take one home with me."

Republicans and democrat[s] party in Chattanooga

By Jolene Harrell
Editorial Page Editor



Marcella Colburn/Staff Photog[rapher]

Laura Carter colors in a state that Texas Gov. George W. Bush wo[n] during the Democrat party at the Radisson Read House Tuesday

Shouts and applause erupted from a group of people huddled around a large screen TV, and the United States map that hung on one wall of an ornate banquet room received the attention of a blue marker.

The news channel has just projected Gore would carry Michigan, and the die-hard Democrats gathered at the election convention were cautiously ecstatic.

"Right now it's looking pretty good, but it's too early to tell," said John G. Willis, a lifelong Democrat.

Willis proudly declared that he began his voting tendencies when he was only knee-high and helped his mother vote, and he said he has never voted for a Republican since.

"I'd vote for my yellow dog Raggy before I'd vote for a Republican for President," Willis said.

Lee Vanoer faithfully manned the U.S. map, carefully coloring in each state as the news projected which candidate would win it. Small numbers written within each state signified how many electoral votes each carried.

"I got up this morning and I felt Gore was going to win," he said. But Vanoer said he was afraid to be disappointed. "I get too involved in it. I've had these falls before," he said.

Marcella Colburn/Staff Photographer

Chattanooga Republicans mingle and talk with one another during their party at the Marlott Hotel Tuesday night.

Not all gathered in the Radisson Read House in downtown Chattanooga were as adamant as Willis, but passionate energy seeped from the early gathering of about 60 people. People of various economic classes, races, and ages joined together in a common cause, bonded by the same fervent hope.

Rev. Roland Johnson, from Detroit, said his mother called to tell him people were waiting in lines at the polls in his hometown. He said he was encouraged to hear the news.

"I think that's important," he said. "If we want Gore to win, we can't afford to be apathetic."

A few block down the street the Republicans also joined together in a common cause.

The conference room on the second floor of the Marriott Hotel was crammed with wall-to-wall people, another very diverse group crossing economic, racial, and age barriers. The energy in this room if even higher than that at the Read House, and sweat glistens on the foreheads of many political enthusiasts as the temperature in the room rises with the attendance numbers

Many in this crowd a[lso] are gathered in front of a [large] screen TV, carefully m[oni]toring the progress of e[ach] candidate.

Jim Stewart bragged [that] he has been a Republican [all] his life. He said the [most] important issues to him [in] the campaign were ta[xes] and second amendm[ent] rights. But Stewart sa[id it] was still too early to tell [how] the election would end.

"Life will go on no ma[tter] what happens," he said.

Janna Jahn said she h[ad a] difficult time making [her] voting decision.

"I liked Bush as a c[andi]date overall—his consi[stenc]y," she said. "I defin[itely] believe less governme[nt is] better government, w[hich] led me to stay with [the] Republicans."

Southern stud[ent] Stephanie Hanson wa[s] part of the Republi[can] throng.

"I liked Bush [Sr.] a[s] president, and I'd like to [see] his son in there," she [said.] "I'm here for the suppor[t."]

A young boy stood am[ong] the mass of people wearin[g a] full George Bush mask. [The] enthusiasm seemed to be [as] young in the Republi[can] crowd.

Two passionately o[ppo]site groups of people [gath]ered just a few blocks [apart] to watch every develop[ment] of the nail-biter election. [The] sounds of the democr[atic] process emanated from [the] two separate buildings [in] bursts of agony and cla[mor] and on election night [the] most ardent of C[hat]tanooga's voters jo[ined] other similar gather[ings] around the country [in a] sleepless night of wa[iting] and wondering

Downy sponsors free laundry day at U. Marylan[d]

By Michael Hopkins
The Diamondback

(U-WIRE) COLLEGE PARK, Md. – Jon Shalvi dragged his hefty bag of dirty clothes into the laundry room. He filled up one washing machine, then another and debated whether to fill a third.

Shalvi, a junior electrical engineering major, is like many University of Maryland students. He puts off doing laundry for as long as possible, throwing his dirty clothes in his closet. Out of sight, out of mind. The result is a few massive loads about once a month.

Matt Lindstrom, a junior English education major, emptied his bag of laundry into one washing machine – barely a full load.

"I always do my laundry once a week," Lindstrom said. Lindstrom represents a minority among the students who streamed into the Leonardtown laundry room to wash their clothes for free this weekend as part of a promotion by Downy.

Laundry consultants from Downy were stationed in five laundry rooms around the campus this weekend, handing out quarters and detergent as well as demonstrations of a new Downy spray that is said to remove wrinkles without the use of an iron. The free laundry promotion is being held on 30 campuses across the nation

For decades now, college students have been notorious for lugging huge laundry bags overflowing with stained shirts and smelly socks home to mom. For students like Meaghan Hardy, a junior marketing major from Massachusetts, that luxury isn't available

Hardy recently brought 58 pounds of laundry to a Laundromat to have it washed and folded for her at the price of 70 cents a pound. "Doing laundry is such a hassle," Hardy said. "This was so easy, I don't think I'll ever do my own laundry again, even if it is free," she said.

Studets said their "laundry peocrastination" stems from limited time, not having quarters and laziness. Songyee Paik, account associate for the public relations agency handling the Downy promotion, said they decided to target the new product toward college students. Once they get to school, many don't separate their whites and colors, let alone iron their clothes before wearing them, she said.

"I always waited until I was down to my last pair of underwear to do my laundry," Paik said. "I think most college students are [the] same way, so free laund[ry is] a great incentive to get [them] to try our product."

Downy's new produ[ct is] designed to "spray, sm[ooth] and tug" on their clothin[g to] get rid of wrinkles. Stu[dents] all agreed they were ha[ppy] to get free laundry, but [had] mixed feelings about [the] product. "They did a de[mon]stration and it didn't [seem] like it worked at all," S[he] said.

"It sort of worked," [said] Lindstrom, "but defin[itely] not as well as an iron."

Kim Corely and An[...] Polite, from U.S. Mark[eting] and Promotions, were laundry consultants [sta]tioned in Leonardto[wn] laundry room. "We're only here to pay for [the] laundry, but also to an[swer] any questions the stud[ents] might have about how [to do] their laundry," Corely [said.] Most of the students d[oing] laundry were upper[class]men and have already [been] doing their laundry [for a] while now, she said.

Next weekend free [laun]dry will be offered in [laun]dry rooms on North [Campus,] including those in D[...] Easton, Ellicott, Hage[...] and LaPlata, where [...] freshmen live. "We'll [proba]bly answer a lot more [ques]tions there," Corely [...]

First law of revival

By Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

While serving in the mis-on field last year, our local hurch in the jungle of Guyana had a week of rayer. I got up on Monday orning at 4:30 to hike to e church by 5:00. It was ouring like only a tropical ngle can, and I shivered as thought about hiking 20 inutes on a slippery jungle ath with a flashlight, mbrella and a long achete. Maybe it was the ndiana Jones in me, or aybe it was the Spirit's con-ction.

That week, three of us issionaries began a habit f praying at 5:00 every orning. And as a result, od listened "You will earch for me and find me, hen you search with all our heart" (Jer 29:13). A lit-e boy with a rash was ealed without antibiotics or edical cream. As a result of rayer, God responded by eeping back the neighbor-ng Venezuela from invad-ng. There were many victo-ies in those lantern lit ornings. But most miracu-usly, God opened our hree selfish hearts to serve im unselfishly.

While talking with Dr. on Clouzet last week, he aid, "United, concerted rayer is the first law of evival." When I was a wide-yed freshman, I thought if I ould just get everyone to anvass, or everyone to ommit to a campus Bible tudy group, then revival ould come. Maybe there is ruth to that, but usually evival doesn't start with a ig program that wow's veryone into heaven. If we ant true, lasting revival hat recovers souls from the rip of Satan and frees us rom the habitual apathy of our religious life, we must join in united, concerted prayer.

By the way, this isn't just my opinion, or "what I think." What were the disciples doing for ten days before the revival of Pentecost occured? "These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer . . ." (Acts 1:14) What was an essential element of the revival God gave Israel through the prophet Samuel? "Then Samuel said, 'Gather all Israel to Mizpah, and I will pray to the Lord for you'" (1 Sam 7.5). What did God Himself tell Solomon would bring revival back to Israel if they fell away? "And My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray . . . I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chron 7:14). The inspired testimony of the history of God's wayward people clearly reveals that united, concerted prayer is the first law of revival.

One of my good friends here is Rodlie Ortiz. No matter where we are or who we are talking with, he often says, "Let's pray." So I ask you to take his advice. Find a friend or roommate or small group and pray together. For teachers, if you haven't been praying in the classroom, repent and start doing it. If you want to join others, there are people praying on the steps of Lynnwood before lunch. There is also a prayer group meeting at 11:00 every morning in Pierson chapel, the religion building.

As we join in united, concerted prayer, may we come to know Jesus Christ and the power of His grace. And as we repent of sin and clear our minds from the noise of the world, the Holy Spirit will pour out to enable us to engage in Christ-like living and Christ-like ministry. Our negativity to the church, our confusion in career choices, and our broken relationships are like the tip of a match. When we rub these on the rough edge of united concerted prayer, they will be consumed by the Spirit's fire. It is the first law of revival.

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When we pray, God listens. The first law of revival is united, concerted prayer. These students pray together on the Walnut Street Bridge.

Vast beyond the stars

By Zane Yi
SPECIAL TO THE ACCENT

Space isn't remote at all. It's only an hour's drive away if your car could go straight upwards, comments the astronomer Fred Hoyle.

There's something about the cold air that makes the sky much more spectacular to gaze at. Maybe the chilly air makes the atmosphere thinner to look through, or perhaps it only makes you feel smaller and more vulnerable, making the dark blanket that covers us so much more imposing and impenetrable. I don't know what the explanation is, but I'm sure you'll agree with me, when it's frosty outside the moon glows brighter, the stars at night seem to sparkle like specks of ice on a winter morning.

Have you taken a look at the panorama of lights in the sky on a cold night? Wow. Talk about sublime! The immensity of it all takes our breath away. Our sun is just one lonely star in the Milky Way. Our galaxy is one galaxy in the vast array of literally millions of others in our universe. In fact, what you and I call stars could be in reality a planet, another sun, or another galaxy. It's mind-boggling to think that the light you look at started shooting through space before you were born. (How far exactly is a light-year anyway?) It's amazing to think that the dark patch in the sky may actually be the home of a new-born star. The light just hasn't reached us yet.

The night sky helps at times to put things into perspective. Below, there is a bustle of activity. We, so busy in our microcosm, get caught up with deadlines and goals, the electric lights of city streets and apartment high rises drowning out the lights above. There are times though, when we stop and look up. For a brief moment, we are cought up into contemplating bigger and grander things. Some don't like it. It reminds them the universe is a big place. The mathematician Blaise Pascal once commented on space, "The eternal silence of these infinite spaces frightens me."

Frightening? Perhaps.

What's out there anyway? Carbon gases. Eerie silence. Space dust. The earth is microscopic in the overall scheme of things. We are a minuscule part of that earth. Not exactly your most comforting thought.

"The universe is vast beyond the stars," Fernando Ortega crones in one of his songs, "but You are mindful when the sparrow falls."

The first part of that statement, I find myself believing very easily. The universe is vast. I'm no astrophysicist, but I'll assent to that. I also find it fairly easy to believe an all-powerful being, we call God, created it all and that maintains the spinning spiral galaxies, and that He calls each star by name. All-powerful is the least He'd have to be to create and control all that.

What I struggle to believe, at times, is the second half of the lyric. "You are mindful when the sparrow falls."

It's pretty easy to believe in a God that is concerned with the big things - gravitational pull, aligning planets and solar systems, world politics. It's hard to believe in a God that cares about the little things - me included. A God that cares about what I'm studying in college, where I'm going to be next year, my car insurance bill, and my romance life. All the things that I fret about, in comparison to nebulas, quasars and light years, seem pretty insignificant and mundane. Yet, that God knows and cares is what we precisely believe.

Unreasonable? A comforting figment of my imagination? That's what some say, but God isn't an idol we create with our reason, or our rationality. God is who He reveals Himself to be. Faith isn't based on what I think or feel, it's based on what God says.

"How can you say that the Lord doesn't see your troubles and isn't being fair? Don't you yet understand? Don't you know by now that the everlasting God, the Creator of the farthest parts of the earth, never grows faint or weary? No one can fathom the depths of his understanding. He gives power to the tired and worn out, and strength to the weak"(Isaiah 40:27-29 TLB).

Jesus described God as caring for sparrows and lilies. He also cares for you and me.

It's incredible if you think about it. I guess that's why we call Him God.

The sky at night isn't silent and frightening if you choose to believe what God says about Himself. The universe is vast, but filled with a God that is vast beyond it.

One dead bird

By Debbie Battin
STAFF WRITER

A story is told of a man who wanted to buy a pet parrot. Noticing an especially beautiful parrot in a pet shop, he decided to buy it.

Once he arrived home with the bird, the man expected the bird to talk and play with the plastic rings attached to the side of the cage, but the bird just sat there. He talked to it, and tried to get its attention, but it would not move. Frustrated, the man went back to the pet shop. He began to complain to the man who had sold him the bird the day before "It won't do anything!" he exclaimed. "It won't even play with those plastic rings you told me it would love so much."

The man behind the counter began to shake his head, "Sir, did you purchase the little green and orange ladder for the bird? He won't play with the plastic rings unless he has this green and orange ladder in order to reach the rings."

"Well, why didn't you tell me that yesterday?" The bird owner said with disgust.

"I thought you knew. Everyone knows this type of parrot won't do anything unless he has a green and orange ladder."

The man went home and put the little ladder in the cage. Thinking the problem was solved, he anxiously watched the parrot. Strangely, the bird still didn't move.

Soon the man was back in the pet store, this time disappointed. "I just don't understand why it won't do what I want it to!"

With a confused look on his face the store owner replied, "Did you get the little bells to attach to the plastic rings and the little mirror with plastic pearls around it?"

"What little bells? What mirror?" barked the parrot owner.

"No wonder your bird doesn't do what you think it should!" exclaimed the pet shop attendant. "Parrots won't climb the little green and orange ladder to play with the plastic rings unless the bells are attached. And everyone knows that parrots have to have a mirror to look at themselves."

Now the man was angry, "What?!" he shouted, "I can't believe this! Why didn't you tell me I had to have all these silly plastic things?" With bewilderment, he bought the bells and the mirror. He took them home and began to explain to the bird all the trouble it had caused him.

Still, the bird remained in the same place, not moving. Ready to give up, he began to think, "Those people are trying to get my money; they think they can get me to buy all these stupid toys. That's it, I've had it, I'm going to get my money back!"

In his frustration, he had not noticed the condition of the bird. Coming to his senses, he looked into the cage. Wide-eyed and shocked he saw the little bird laying on the bottom with his little feet sticking straight up. It was dead.

He took the bird and cage, sadly this time, to the pet shop. He showed it to the man behind the counter. "This is strange." said the pet shop owner as he checked the ladder, the plastic rings, the bells, and finally the little mirror "I don't understand what has happened. You have everything you need to make him happy and keep him entertained.

Suddenly the pet shop owner knew exactly what the problem was. "When was the last time you fed the bird?"

"Fed the bird?" the man asked with surprise. "You never told me I needed to feed it."

"Everybody knows that birds have to eat."

That's kind of an elaborate way of saying something pretty basic and simple–We will die if we don't eat. Physically, spiritually–death is the result of starvation. What is spiritual food? It says in Matthew 4:4, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

The words of God are found in the Bible. We must "eat" spiritual food everyday, or we will die spiritually. Eating involves fasting, swallowing and digesting. Once food is eaten it becomes fuel for your body to use. When you read and study the Bible, the truths found in God's word become fuel for you to use, and they strengthen you. The power is found in God's word. If you are weak, He will make you strong, but you have to eat! Don't get too busy to eat, because you might die.

Life is worth living. Don't be a dead bird!

Don't be afraid

By Brad Hyden
SPECIAL TO THE ACCENT

When I was a young child ome of the oddest things sed to give me a fright. Things like the big spooky loset in my grandma's oom, the dark and musty tairway into the cellar, and most of all, the little crawl-pace under the house.

Of course, I was a kid hen. Today I am fortunate o have my own little girl. She is a wonderful six-year-old with long blonde hair nd blue eyes.

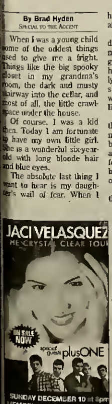
The absolute last thing I want to hear is my daugh-er's wail of fear. When I hear that my daughter is afraid, I get ready for WAR!

There is a big hairy spider somewhere threatening my daughter. Or worse yet, a giant cricket has landed on her lap and she is desperately needing help. In a flash I shake myself for war, and when I go off to battle for my little girl, I go off to win.

Once I have completed the necessary task to settle my little girl, she still trembles in fear. So I reach out and take her hand to comfort her. Eventually she will be strong enough to venture out on her own.

Did you know that God is the same way? Did you know that should anything frighten one of God's children He goes to war! When God goes to war God wins. It doesn't matter how meager or how large the fear, it doesn't matter how well you ask or in what manner. God loves you even more than I love my little girl. In fact it is written in the book of Isaiah 41:13, "For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, fear not for I will help thee."

Today won't you trust God with your fears? Place out your hand in faith knowing that God indeed loves you and that He will take your hand into His own.



Write a Student Missionary! Jessica Winters is teaching home school in Kathmandu, Nepal. Her address is: Sheer Memorial Hospital

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Kathmandu, Nepal

Wisdom from church signs

"Searching for a new look? Have your faith lifted here!"

An ad for St.Joseph's Episcopal Church has a picture of two hands holding stone tablets on which the Ten Commandments are inscribed and a headline that reads, "For fast, fast relief, take two tablets."

"Have trouble sleeping? We have sermons-come hear one!"

"People are like tea bags-you have to put them in hot water before you know how strong they are."

"God so loved the world that He did not send a committee."

"Come in and pray today. Beat the Christmas rush!"

"When down in the mouth, remember Jonah. He came out alright."

"Sign broken. Message inside this Sabbath."

"Fight truth decay-study the Bible daily."

"Dusty Bibles lead to dirty lives."

"Come work for the Lord. The work is hard, the hours are long and the pay is low. But the retirement benefits are out of this world."

"It is unlikely there'll be a reduction in the wages of sin."

"Do not wait for the hearse to take you to church."

"If you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns."

"If you don't like the way you were born, try being born again."

The Southern Accent

Lifestyles

Thursday, November 9, 2000

There is something to do after all...

11.9 (thurs)	11.10 (fri)	11.11 (sat)	11.12 (sun)	11.13 (mon)	11.14 (tues)	11.15 (wed)
830p FrancesBoles Marimba ($3 cover) Jazz Junction 8p An Evening of Mahler and Mozart Tivoli Theater Thirsty Thursday series Amoeba at JacobsLadder	830p Jeff McIntosh Quartet ($5 cover) Jazz Junction 8p An Evening of Mahler and Mozart Tivoli Theater Alathea & Ryan Long ($5 cover) NewCityCafe 102S.Central Knoxville TN 865.544.0100	830p Kevin Robertson Quartet ($5 cover) Jazz Junction 9p The Fuzzy Sprouts JacobsLadder Beki Hemingway & BigHappy Dragon NewCityCafe 102S.Central Knoxville TN 865.544 0100	6p Mystery at the Redneck-Italian Wedding ($24.50 includes dinner) Vaudeville Cafe 108Tremont 266-6202	730pKiwanis Travelogue, Visit Portugal with film maker Grant Foster For ticket information call Kiwanis office at 267.6569	10a-430p (tues-sat) Mike Smith: Color Photographs Hunter Museum of American Art	Contact: Southside Jazz Junction 114 W Main 267.9003 Tivoli Theater 701 Broad St 265.6663 Jacobs Ladder 231 MLKing 267.0384 Hunter Museum 10 Bluff View 267.0968 (please call ahead to confirm all times and dates at venues)

Single guy of the week.

Leon Martin, 19, international studies/spanisb minor

Southern Accent- What sort of things do you do when you're not in school or studying?

Leon Martin- I write music.

SA- Tell us about what you look for in a friend...

LM- In a friend, I look for truthfulness. People who are sincere, have a sense of humour[of course], open minded, compassionate.

SA- What is one of your best assets?

LM- I'm truly who I am, yet open for changes. I don't hide my emotions or hide who I am.

SA- What would you say is the last memorable thing you have experienced?

LM- Watching a sunset from the highest mountainin Ocoee.

SA- What kind of women do you like?

LM- I love a bi-lingual girl. I love a girl who's fashionable, her hair has to be done, she has to be cool. A women who is sexy and fun, yet doesn't mind getting her hands dirty. Someone that complements me in height. Spontaneous personality is important. I seem to prefer foreign women(not to offend anyone), but they just seem more open minded.

SA- Describe your perfect date.

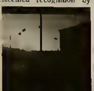
LM- Lots of laughter, lots of eye contact. We would go out and do stupid stuff, crazy wild stuff, yet morally correct. Horseback riding, swimming, international traveling, swing dancing

SA-Any last words or thoughts or quotes from you?

LM- One of my favourite Bible verses is Psalms 37.4, I guess that's about all

Sevenfold: Things Left Unsaid

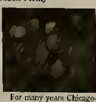
After their first independent album catapulted Sevenfold into the national spotlight, gaining them esteemed recognition by



VH1 as one of the top unsigned bands in America, the music of this talented foursome made its way onto mainstream radio stations across the nation. Following this initial breakthrough, the band received further acclaim when they were flown into Cleveland, Dhio to open for the legendary John Fogerty at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. With the release of their second modern rock project, these Houston natives continue to captivate and satisfy widespread audiences while gaining extensive media attention. Solid songwriting combines with hearty vocals and strong musicianship to produce a driving rock album that rivals any and every big-name modern rock act of the moment. For those with an appetite for honest, contemplative lyries underscored by an ardent and powerful instrumental performance, the aggressive percussion, wailing guitars and impassioned vocals of Things Left Unsaid will surely exceed expectations. With their musical proficiency, lyrical adeptness and strong following, Sevenfold will undoubtedly continue to rise to the occasion and to receive widespread support and acclaim.

Recommended for fans of: Vertical Horizon, Matchbox 20, Third Day, Goo Goo Dolls.

Beki Hemingway: Too Much Plenty



For many years Chicago-based Beki Hemingway was involved in a string of underground bands, most recently the popular rockabilly group This Train, who toured with Rich Mullins. Now with her first solo LP, Beki finds her own sound, which she describes as "alternafolkpoprock." Peppy electric guitars combine with full bass and drums to form a backdrop for melodically-charged vocals that are sometimes pop, sometimes edgy, and sometimes sweet. The fun and honest lyrics cover some nostalgic ground, discussing childhood memories and growing up, as well as relationships and faith.

Recommended for fans of: Sam Phillips, VOL, Melissa Etheridge, Sheryl Crow, Lisa Loeb, Suzanne Vego

Facedown: Climb to the Rooftops

Sweet and swelling voices blend beautifully, expressing sentiments of truth, temptation and vulnerability. Tenderness and sincerity abound in both the lyrics and their expression, as worship takes on the form of honesty in performance, be it through songs of praise or simple songs of day-to-day life with all of its obstacles and oddities Energetic folk / pop tunes and contemplative verse unveil the necessity of contrition and the wonder of redemption, a musical message of humility and hope operating hand in hand.

Recommended for fans of: Zoubek and Bryant, Alathea, Everyman, Caedmon's Call

Thanksgiving fundraiser

First Annual Roll & Stroll will be at 830am on Thanksgiving day to raise money for the Homeless Coalition.

Individual registration - $15 ($20 for registration after Monday, Nov. 13)

Participants pre-registered by Nov. 13 are guaranteed T-shirts Shirts may be picked up at the Community Kitchen Thrift Shop, 739 E. 11th Street, on Nov. 21 & 22 (bring any good clothing you wish to donate), or at Coolidge Park on race day Registration forms are available at all area Bi-Lo locations.

Wanting more

By Ghost Writer IBF

For twenty years of my life (and over 200 years of American history) the idea that "more is better" has been etch-a-sketched into my brain. Three has always been better than two and we all know that one is the loneliest number.

So, why does the American public and American money insure that we have as few choices as possible?

An I watched the debates for the 2000 election I saw two similarly inadequate candidates I heard many issues argued with grand rhetoric, but both candidates equaled the other in stupidity. What about real solutions for issues like health care, education for EVERYDNE, alternatives to oil, and the legalization of industrial hemp for thousands of uses? These extremely important issues were avoided because Corporate America has its hands down the pants of both major puppet candidates.

The only candidate for president that followed federal campaign finance laws and declined soft money was Ralph Nader. Corporations padded the pockets of Mr. Gore and Mr. Bush to the tune of over $100 million combined, while Nader accepted around $1.3 million total from the American people, not corporations.

Politics are a lot like life. They tells you one thing, but later teach you the opposite. Imagery and aesthetics are essential to current dirty politics. We try to teach "more is better" and that playing by the rules is the only method to obtain success, but politics currently show us the opposite. Money, corruption, and hate run this country today and always will until Americans get more choices and open their eyes.

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Ask SHOLLY

Real ans vers for real que ons

Dear Sholly

My friend and I like the same guy and we both know it. He hasn't made his intentions clear as to which one of us he will choose. I would like him to choose me. What suggestions do you have for me to tip the scale in my favor?

Competing for Love

Dear Competing for Love

Since your friend is aware of the situation, I am assuming she is not upset with you. The decision ultimately rest with this young man because he will have to decide which one of you he feels attracted to and would like to date.

You will have to decide if you want to maintain th friendship if you do succeed in getting the man. You mu consider the possibility that the friendship might dissolv and therefore you have to decide if you value it enough to continue with this competition. Have you considered th possibility that your friend might end up with the guy? What then? Please consider this very careful. Weigh the pros and cons of this situation and pray to God for guidance. Whichever way it turns out, it is going to be a difficul situation. I'll be praying for both of you. Good luck

Sholly

Recommended Roadtrip

Cumberland Island is 17.5 miles long and totals 36,415 acres of which 16,850 are marsh, mud flats, and tidal creeks. It is well known for its sea turtles, abundant shore birds, dune fields, maritime forest, salt marshes, and historic structures This is a good time of year for camping at this island because of the cooler weather.

Back Country camping is $2.00 per-person per-day. All camping is limited to seven days. Campers may choose between one developed and four primitive backcountry sites. The developed campground at Sea Camp Beach has rest rooms, cold showers, and drinking water. Each campsite has a grill, fire ring, food cage, and picnic table. There are no facilities in the backcountry sites and water should be treated Campfires are not permitted in the backcountry and portable stoves are suggested. Backcountry sites range from 3.5 to 10 8 miles from the ferry dock. Reservations are required.

Sea Camp Campground is $4.00 per-person per-day. All camping is limited to seven days. Campers may choose between one developed and four primitive

Photo from within the maritime forest.

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Following are the f boat operating seasons:

SPRING/SUMM (March 1st to Septem 30th) The ferry departs Marys at 9:00 a.m. and 11 a.m., and departs from C berland Island at 10:15 and 4:45 p.m.. Wedn through Saturday there 2:45 p.m. departure fr the island.

FALL (October 1st November 30st) Same SPRING/SUMMER sea but EXCLUDING the p.m. departure from island. NOTE: Fall sea for the year 2000 is on basis only. It may be next year, it may not.

WINTER (December to February 28th) - ferry does not run on T days and Wednesdays, there is no 2.45 depart from the island. Other these exceptions, the departure times from Marys and Cumberl Island remains the The ferry does not tra port pets, bicycles, or ca

Summers (May thro September) are hot humid. Winters are gen ly short and mild with able precipitation and o sional "northeasters." ommend layers of cloth especially in spring and rain gear, and good wal shoes or light weight hi boots.

Directions: I-75 S towards Savannah. Take Jim L Gillis Hwy Merge onto I-16 East. low to I-95 South. Take 40 exit to Brunswick/J sonville. Cumbe Island is located 7 miles of St. Marys, Georgia.

;ym clinic attendees perform in Saturday night finale

Morgan Kochenower
SPORTS EDITOR

case dorm students wondering why they extra people in their , it was because of the nastics Clinic held at ern Adventist Univer- ery two years.

elve teams showed up total of 375 students me support staff.

ristian Lighthall, sec- ear coach for Mount h Academy, brought 28 nts, and feels that his have learned a lot.

here are some stations are more specialized others, so not all the an participate in them. everyone. I think, d a little bit - even if it all amount from every n I feel that our team is to be strongest in tum- compared to other ls. We have quite a bit bling and are a pretty rful tumbling team. pared to other teams we have quite as many members, but we have n routine."

an Knight, a junior Mount Pisgah is a base one of the bigger guys e team. When asked if ad seen any good-look- girls at the clinic, he "I don't know if I want y, but there are always looking women around ."

erybody appeared to aving fun, and there many stations to learn n. There were stations umbling, tossing, two- s and three-highs and routines. Capable gym- ran each station. The station everybody ded the most was Mickey Sweeney's station. Sweeney is from Maryland; he is the assistant coach for Acroairs and owns a cheerleading and gymnastics clinic. Mickey ran the two and three-high stations, and every time somebody missed a spot, they all had to do jumping flares. There was reason to stress caution. There were many injuries, including Daniel Tejeda, a Gym-master who broke both of his wrists and Whitney McDonald from Forest Lake Academy, who rolled her ankle coming down on it wrong.

"I was doing a pyramid, and we usually land pretty well, but while doing it something went wrong and the inside of the pyramid just collapsed, and the way I came off it was hard for the bases to catch me, and I just rolled my ankle," McDonald said.

A base from Highland Academy injured his back and was taken away on a stretcher. The stretcher was only for precautions, and he is okay.

Michael Chain, who works for Chattanooga Fire Department, also is a paramedic. He watched the festivities from the station.

"There is a lot of action going on, so injuries are very frequent in that kind of sport," Chain said.

Chain said that most of the injuries were moderate, such as sprains, strains and pulled muscles.

Everybody was learning and having a good time, but there was another reason to be excited–Saturday night. Everybody wanted to show his or her "Mama Jama" to everyone

The scene was set. Everybody had worked at the same stations and had the opportunity to learn the same stuff, but whoever caught on the best would have the best routine of the night.

This was Collegedale Academy's first performance.

CA Coach Ron Reading said, "We're a little nervous, but they feel like they are ready, and I think they are too."

Spaulding Elementary had a strong showing with a lot of good moves, good performances and great coaching. They have young kids, but they all have a lot of talent. At the end of their routine, they had a nice toss-up three-high to cap it off

The coaches felt that their crew did very well, and stuck all of their moves. It only took a couple of days to get their two-up three high.

Cassie Hunt said, "I think we did great, and we had lots of fun."

East Pasco Gymnastics had two eager little girls Jennifer and Melissa.

"We are feeling nervous but also pumped up. We're having lots of fun also."

East Pasco had some nice "Celtic music. If you looked closely at this routine, a little blonde girl who looked no older than five, was tossed around like a rag doll.

Cherokee Frazier, from Plant City, Fla., felt like they did okay and that they gave all they could give.

"I've been having lots of fun, and the 10-hour drive was worth it," she said.

In between some routines, tumblers such as Cameron Danier and Ricky Schwarz were showing schools the benefits of having the air tumbling mats and the rod floors. Ricky was the main attraction for this event and showed some extraordinary sequences. But on one pass, Ricky said that "everything was going great and after that full-end-back-out, I just tried something else." He couldn't make up his mind what he wanted to do when he was in-flight, and ended up hitting his back hard. Ms. Fowler was asked what emotions were running through her when she saw Ricky hit the ground. "My heart stopped I couldn't breathe until I saw him moving," she said.

Christen Towles, a former Mount Pisgah Academy gymnastics captain, said, "I think they are doing very well."

After Mount Pisgah's performance, Christian Lighthall said, "They did a great job. They came together all week and worked well. I'm glad things turned out the way they did. They really showed that they could come in here and work together and do something awesome."

When they were done, Forest Lake Academy got up and had the same music. Asked if he had the music first for his routine, Christian said, "Absolutely!"

Caitlin Towles, a young gymnast who did some pretty impressive moves was asked what she liked about the show.

"I'm having a good time," she said.

Caitlin's mom, Heather, had to help her some.

Caitlin's favorite parts of the show were the "Mulan" music and the song "Who Let the Dogs Out."

John Krishingner, Fletcher Academy's coach said, "I'm very proud of my kids. They did everything and didn't miss a move. The trip was worth it, and we learned an incredible amount of information. It refreshed my memory. I haven't done this for a while. It's my first year and it's just invaluable. I was at the Acrofest in Lincoln, Neb. last year, and this one was a lot better."

All the people who came to help agreed that there was a lot of talent.

The man that organized the clinic was Coach Schwarz. This was his first year leading out in the clinic

"Besides a few injuries, I think it was a top level clinic. Everybody seemed to have had an opportunity to learn, and did learn," Schwarz said. "The attitude and that atmosphere was just super, I thought. Nobody was looking to do better than anybody else, and I think everybody had a great time. I enjoyed it."

On the subject of everybody learning, he said, "I talked to many coaches, and they said that this is the best clinic they've been to as far as learning. Each station had clinicians that did great, they had things planned, the Clinicians kept telling me that the kids listened, they wanted to learn, and they were very motivated.

It being the Coach's first year, he was asked to evaluate himself and said, "I'm a pessimist at heart. I give myself probably a B-, with as far as what I did, but the people who helped me, an A+."

Coach Schwarz is very humble, and did a better job than he let on. If you missed it, it's your loss. It was a great show and everybody had a great time.

Staff Photo

The Gymasters create three-highs during their performanceas the finale to the gym clinic held at Southern last weekend.

Monday conversations with Kevin Johnson

outhern Accent: If could go out to eat one person in the d, who would it be why?

enn Johnson: Probably t Hill. I'm a big sports e's my favorite player orts, so I'd probably go with him. Any non- ts person probably dn't be fun to talk to at a l.

you had one wish t would it be?

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ould you eat another on to survive?

Definitely, if I need to sur- Well, is the person alive n I'm going to eat them, e they already dead?

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hat is one thing you about Southern?

's only a three-hour e from home.

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hat sport are you at? I know this is a h question.

here are so many. I d probably say football. I just think I can play with better people; I can hang around better with them.

Did you play any little league sports?

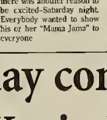
Yes.

What did you play?

I played soccer since second grade and baseball and tennis.

Have you ever had any sports-related injuries?

I received double vision from gymnastics when I got elbowed in the eyeball, and various stitches, but nothing real serious.



What professional sport would you want to play?

If I were really good at it, probably football.

That's an interesting question because I remember in a press conference you held, you decided to stay in school and not forgo your last three years of eligibility. Now what sport were you declaring for, and why did your agent and you decide to keep you in school?

Well, I was going to declare for football, basketball, hockey and baseball, but we figured another year in college would help my development to become a professional athlete. But I think I'm going to declare after this year

Do you think your stock will be hurt in the draft because of your staying an extra year, or do you think you've improved your stock?

I think I've improved my stock because they're going to notice how much more of a mature player I've become.

Are you a team player, or do you demand the ball?

I'm all about individual stats.

Do you know any of your personal stats right off the top of your head?

In little league I hit about 65 home runs and batted about .510.

Who is your favorite professional team?

Since college teams are pretty much getting paid now, it would be Nebraska.

Now I noticed you didn't mention track in your eligibilities. I know you're fast, so why aren't you considering track as one of your four sports?

Well, right now to be honest, I'm a little out of shape, so that's why I haven't proceeded into track. I think my 100 time is good enough to go to Athens.

You say you're out of shape, but you still run a 4.2?

That's my 40. I'm talking about the 100.

Do you find it hard to find competition here at this school?

Yes, definitely.

What are the main points you struggle with? Do you find yourself not getting up for the games because nobody can really compete with you?

There's no motivation, there's no satisfaction in beating anyone here when you already know that you're so much better. There's just not the motivation to win.

What if you had to narrow it down to two sports? What would they be?

Football and basketball.

What do you think your agent can get for you?

Easily a $100 million contract.

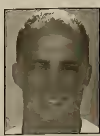
Extended over two or three years?

Just a year.

Best looking athletes

Selwin Abraham--I could put him in every time, but I can't because it would be too redundant. He is a scholar, athlete and has time for his booming social life. Now how can he juggle that?

Jenny Sue Lemon--She is her team's leader and is well-organized before every game.



Mike Freeland--He is one of the biggest receivers in the league and uses it. He is hard to guard and he's cute.

Carrie Barnett--She plays with determination and manages to leave the field with a smile on her face, win or lose.

Science

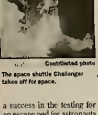
Thursday, November 9, 2000

Shuttle finds landing difficult

By Keith Pulfer
SCIENCE EDITOR

On November 2 the space shuttle Discovery leapt into the air - on the wings of a modified Boeing 747. The Discovery was forced to land in Edwards Air Force Base in California due to high winds in its usual landing area located in Cape Canaveral, Florida. The high winds lasted for three days, causing the shuttle to make the first landing in California in four and a half years

Despite these unfortunate events that will cost taxpayers nearly a million dollars, NASA also announced



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The space shuttle Challenger takes off for space.

a success in the testing for an escape pod for astronauts living in the International Space Station. The escape pod, named X-38 or NASA Crew Return Vehicle, was dropped from a B-52 bomber (which is good at dropping things) at forty thousand feet. The unmanned CRV used a parachute-like "parafoil" system of recovery to guide itself to the ground safely. The pod is capable of holding seven passengers and comes at a fraction of the cost of previously considered return vehicles. While the X-38 is tested, another escape vehicle is in place.

In addition to serving as an emergency escape vehicle for international astronauts, the pod will also serve as a materials transporter. Once docked with the space station, astronauts will be able to leave the space station in the pod, go pick up supplies from a space vehicle that isn't capable of docking with the station, and fly it back to the station. It's like a Southern student's trip to Taco Bell, only more expensive.

Computer related eyestrain

If you work with computers regularly, you may notice that your eyes bother you after a day (or night) of staring at the screen. The good news is that, to date, there is no evidence that computer video display terminals (VDTs) are harmful to eyes.

Government testing indicates that VDTs emit little or no radiation. In fact, they say that a lifetime of VDT exposure does not cause cataracts or other eye diseases. The bad news, however, is that VDTs may cause eyestrain. This eyestrain won't damage the eyes. It's just annoying

Think of it as nature's way of telling you to take a break. Most muscles in the body rebel if they are overused, and the eye muscles are no different. It's wise to stretch your body and your eyes periodically while using a computer for any length of time

If you don't currently wear glasses, but experience eyestrain when using a computer, you may need prescription lenses for this activity. If you already wear corrective lenses, especially bifocals, trifocals or reading glasses, you may need a different prescription when using your computer. Have your eyes examined by an ophthalmologist to determine precisely what prescription lenses you need for computer use.

Symptoms/Signs:

Eye irritation, including dry, red, itchy or watery eyes

Eye fatigue

Difficulty focusing

Headaches

Backaches

Consult Your Doctor If:

Symptoms persist even after taking a break

Symptoms appear as soon as you begin working at your computer

Home Care Ideas:

If physician referral is not recommended at this time, try the following self-care procedures:

Take a break. If you look at any object for too long, you'll probably strain your eyes. Ditto with VDTs. If possible, walk away from your computer periodically to give your eyes a rest; if you cannot walk away, take a few seconds to redirect your eyes from the computer screen to another object.

Adjust your workstation. Make sure the top of your computer screen is at or just below eye level. Place your VDT a bit farther away than typical reading distance. Place your reference material as close to the screen as possible to limit focus changes.

Minimize glare. Soft lighting is best when you use a VDT If that's not possible, try VDT hoods or filters to minimize screen glare.

Blink away Although working on your computer for long periods may prove numbing, try to blink as often as possible. Blinking lubricates the eyes, which prevents them from drying out.

Keep a clean screen. To get a good look at what you're reading on the VDT, keep your screen free of dust with a daily dust.

To prevent dry eyes, use over-the-counter eye lubricants, especially the preservative-free brands.

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Princeton team shares grant fro[m] NASA for biosensor research

By Laine Clark-Balzan
THE DAILY PRINCETONIAN

(U-WIRE) PRINCETON, N.J. – Two teams of local researchers – from Princeton University, Rutgers University and Drexel University in Philadelphia – will receive during the next three years a combined $1.8 million from NASA for research applicable to space exploration.

Princeton chemical engineering professors Ilhan Aksay and Jeffrey Carbeck, Princeton graduate students Chris Martin and Jessica Jarvis '01 and two Drexel physicists compose one research team. With a $1.3-million grant, the group is constructing and refining experimental biological sensors.

Rutgers professor Michael Gershenson leads the second team, which is receiving $500,000 from NASA. His team is developing more advanced bolometers, which are instruments used to detect deep-space electromagnetic radiation. NASA may use these instruments to increase understanding of how star systems form.

According to Aksay, the Princeton-based project evolved last year when his group was working to identify the types of biological species that live in water and in air, including those that live in the human body.

Aksay said members of his group realized that once they could identify biological presences with a small device, they could construct a sensor that would be implanted in the body. This sensor would then relay information about those biological presences – such as specific molecules or viruses – to an outside monitor.

Carbeck said the possibility of long-distance monitoring of the human body's inner environment piqued NASA's interest because it would allow astronauts' health to be examined more closely while they were in space.

Describing the sensor's construction and function, Aksay said a cantilever – a projecting support anchored by one side – would offer binding sites for the specific biological product being monitored. When molecules bind to proteins embedded in the cantilever's surface, they cause an electric signal to be sent back from the sensor to a monitor.

"Visualize a diving board like in the Olympics," Aksay said. He explained that the cantilevers in his team's sensors would not bend, but would vibrate with a certain resonance frequency.

Returning to the diving board comparison, he said, "The resonance frequency depends on the weight on the diving board. We propose to make a diving 100 times smaller diameter of) a hum and measure the res frequency when som binds to it."

Carbeck said his has a strategy for us devices in a laborato ting, but he believes lenges would arise if t sors were implanted ing system. He noted, ever, that the step is bly beyond the scope current project.

Aksay's team now pling with the probl boosting the sensors' tivity.

Aksay said with th sent technology, the tists can increase th face area where bio molecules can bond sensor, thus incre sensitivity. With the a of a microscopically porous gel coat, Ak the total surface area cantilever becomes 1,000 square meters.

Jarvis is basing senior thesis on the of using such a gel boost sensor sensiti and the other mem the team said the gr continue to refine its niques and materials the three-year grant NASA.

"Making (the can is a long project, so focusing on the fund issues," Aksay said.

Study: Smoking causes depression

By Yvette Thomas
THE POST

ATHENS, Ohio (U-WIRE) – While most people believe depressed people smoke to help them cope, a new study indicates the opposite is true – smoking can cause depression.

Elizabeth Goodman, of the Division of Adolescent Medicine at the Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati, and John Capitman from the Schneider Institute of Health Policy at Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass., conducted the study. The results were published in the October issue of Pediatrics, a journal published by The American Academy of Pediatrics.

In the study, Goodman and Capitman selected two samples of teens. The first sample contained 8,704 teens who were not depressed. Because smoking behavior was varied in this group, the researchers could trace whether this variable caused depression. The second group contained 6,947 teens who had not smoked for at least 30 days to study whether these teens were depressed after moderate to heavy smoking at a one-year follow-up.

The study also took into consideration factors such as gender, race, household income and highest level of education reached by participants' parents. Goodman and Capitman also asked the students to report their GPAs, anxiety levels and the names of three friends who smoked so the researchers could measure peer smoking.

After a year of observation through interviews with the teens and their parents, the experimenters concluded that while some depressed teens do smoke, many more develop depression after smoking.

Professionals had mixed reactions to the study.

"This (smoking) may be a factor that influences the level of depression," said Jeanne Heaton, a psychologist at Hudson Health Center. But she said she did not believe smoking was a cause of depression. She said students who felt depressed should come to Hudson for a free screening

Assistant Director of the Health Education and Wellness office at Ohio University, Kathy Ott, said the study did not include enough conclusive evidence for her to decide whether she agreed with it. "Obviously the research was valid,(but) it didn't have a lot of information," she said. She said she would like to see a larger study

Ohio University students also had mixed feelings.

"(Smoking) drains your money, so there's a source of depression," said Erin Tustian, an OU senior who smokes. She said she had been depressed, but would not blame cigarettes.

OU senior Terence Neff said he believed it was more likely that depression caused smoking. "Back in the day, a cigarette was what helped me get by – it kept me focused."

Molly Klima, a junior at OU, said she agreed with the study's conclusions.

"Three out of four of my friends who've been smoking since they were young have had depression," she said.

(Becca Manning contributed to this story.)

Drug-resistant bacteria are spreading, but a new antibiotic is ready to fig[ht]

Experts report evidence of globe-trotting bact[eria]

By Mike Fillon
WEBMD MEDICAL NEWS

Nov. 19, 1999 (Philadelphia) – While a new class of drug appears to be effective in fighting antibiotic-resistant bacteria, an old nemesis is proving to be a tougher foe. So said researchers at the 37th annual meeting of the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) in Philadelphia. The good news is that a new antibiotic, linezolid, appears to be effective against bacteria resistant to other antibiotics.

Linezolid fights bacteria in a unique way. Other antibiotics work by interfering with growth of bacteria by blocking the production of genetic material; linezolid, on the other hand, sabotages essential factors that make the proteins essential for cell life. Medical researchers believe this new approach will make it harder for bacteria to ever develop resistance.

"This is an entirely new molecular class of antibiotics," lead researcher Ronald N. Jones, MD, tells WebMD, "and we have yet to find one [bacteria] that's resistant to it." Jones is a professor of pathology at the University of Iowa who is an infectious disease specialist. "I think this is the molecular class, among the ones that are available now, that's going to be most likely to stand the test of time clinically," he says.

According to the researchers, the new drug was tested against over 3,000 recent resistant bacteria strains collected in 1998-9 from more than 50 centers worldwide. It performed better than other drugs against the tough antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

But not all the news at the conference was that good. An international group of investigators, who, in 1998 examined bloodstream infection cases from centers worldwide, discovered a strain of resistant staphylococcus, or staph, bacteria spreading in North America, South America, Europe, Africa and the Western Pacific. According to the CDC, already about half of all circulating U.S. strains of this bacteria are believed to be resistant to multiple antibiotics.

It has been known that these antibiotic-resistant bacteria have rapidly increased in recent decades Staph bacteria live harmlessly on the skin of most people, but a break in the skin or another injury can enable them to invade the bloodstream and, eventually, the heart and bones, which can lead to death.

According to the CDC, infections with antibiotic-resistant staph in the past were found only in patients with serious medical problems, recent or current hospitalization, or r long-term care such as nursing hom it is now recogniz emerging infection general community, bacteria developing tance from many commonly used an such as penicillin.

The problem is is a wide variation in the amount of the resistance but how certain common appear to have throughout the according to Daniel ma, MD, MSc. To this, he says, trol measures in are probably going being critically imp maybe even more than antibiotic con controlling the Diekema is associ tal epidemiologist at versity of Iowa H

"Unfortunately, parts of the world rates of resistance highest have th resources for good control practice. with that, the fact organisms, with in al travel and so spread quite readily the countries that rates of [antibiotic staph] are going to ing higher and

Reporting by Palkhivala

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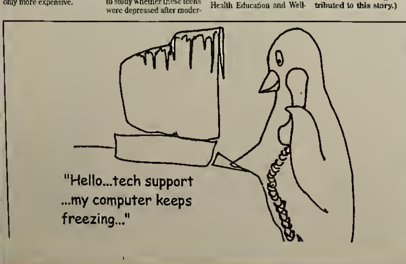

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RU-486 for students?

by Tim Donnelley

With the approval of the ntroversial abortion pill U-486 last month, college nd university health cenrs across the country are ced with the decision hether or not to offer the ll to students

Current estimations say at the drug will most likely t be cheaper than a surgi-

l abortion, and the Food d Drug Administration ys that RU-486 (or feprex as it will be known the U.S. market) can ve many of the same side fects of the surgical procere.

Dr. Christine Peterson, sociate director for Gynelogy at the University of rginia, said the FDA requires providers of Mifeprex to be able to perform surgical abortions as well. "I am not aware of any universities who do surgical abortions," she said. Peterson said that the University of Virginia would not be offering the abortion pill.

"It is beyond our scope of practice," she said. "We do mostly primary care."

Peterson added that UVA Student Health Center could not facilitate the needs of administering the pill. "It's a very complex process," she said. "We just don't have the resources and we don't see the need for them." University of Maryland officials said that they would not offer Mifeprex to students through their health center.

"It's simply because we're not open 24 hours," said Dr. Margaret Bridwell, director of University Health Services at Maryland. "People should be seeing someone who is open all the time" if they are going to take Mifeprex.

The FDA requires three doctor visits when taking RU-486. On the first visit, patients discuss the pill, sign the patient's agreement and take the initial dose of Mifeprex. Two days later, patients return to their provider's office to check if they are still pregnant. If they are pregnant, two Misoprostol tablets are given to the patient. Misoprostol may cause cramps, nausea, diarrhea an other symptoms, for which the doctor may prescribe some medication.

Two weeks after taking initial dose of Mifeprex, the patient must return to the provider to ensure good health and guarantee the pregnancy has ended. If the pregnancy has not been completely terminated, some birth defects may result. The provider will then discuss with the patient subsequent choices, including a surgical abortion to end the pregnancy.

Bridwell said that she has not seen any responses on a hospital e-mail forum inquiring which universities will be offering the abortion pill to students. "We need more experience," she said. "A lot depends on whether the health center is part of the university or is separate."

Georgetown University, a private Jesuit school, will not be offering RU-486 to its students. "We don't advise on abortions, we don't do abortions, (and) we don't give out contraceptives," said Marianne Worley, manager of Media Relations for Georgetown Hospital.

Unlike the University of Virginia, which said it would refer students to affiliates in the community if they wish to take the abortion pill, Georgetown said it would not participate in a student's decision to end a pregnancy. Worley cited traditional Jesuit opposition to any abortion or birth control practices as the foundation for the decision.

The George Washington University Medical Center is contemplating offering the drug to students, according to an Oct. 9 report in The GW Hatchet, the student newspaper. The Medical Center currently has the ability to perform surgical abortions, but patients are typically referred to area clinics due to the cumbersome nature of the operations, officials said.

Current anti-abortion lobbying could have effects on the ability of public universities to offer RU-486. The Washington Post reported that nearly two-dozen anti-abortion groups are lobbying to include the drug in existing stringent legislation of some states These laws require parental consent and mandatory waiting periods for abortions, as well as prohibitions on public funding of abortions and barring on abortion counseling by state employees.

Election could change look of Washington

By Lacey Worsham
Daily O'Collegian

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas – If Texas Gov. George W. Bush is elected president, Washington, D.C., may be making a few changes – some of which could include Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating and U.S. Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma being appointed to cabinet member positions.

"Gov. Bush definitely wants to change the tone in Washington," said Bob Hopkins, Bush/Cheney campaign spokesman. "It's safe to assume you'll see new faces in the Bush cabinet.

"But it is difficult to say who at this time."

If Bush turned to one of his statehouse buddies for the top Justice Department job, Keating would be a natural choice, according to an article in Sunday's Austin American-Statesman.

"The important thing is to get Bush elected," said Dan Mahoney, Keating's director of communications. "It's all media speculation."

John Cox, Keating's press secretary, said Keating's appointment could be a possibility

"There has been speculation, but nothing beyond that," he said. "The governor has just been focused on getting Bush elected."

Even though there have been speculations on possible cabinet member appointments from Oklahoma, the consensus from Keating and Watts' office has been to get Bush into the presidential seat.

"Right now everyone is focused on getting Bush elected," Hopkins said. "Once that's accomplished, then we'll focus on the cabinet appointments."

If Bush is elected president, his other possible choices for Attorney General are Virginia Gov. James Gilmore or Bush's personal attorney Harriet Miers, co-managing partner of Locke, Liddell & Sapp, a major Dallas law firm.

According to the Statesman, Bush once called Miers, "a pit bull in size six shoes."

Keating and Bush have been friends since they were both elected to the governor's office in 1994.

"What happens after Bush is elected is up to him," Mahoney said Monday.

Keating, who received his law degree from the University of Oklahoma in 1969, began a career in law enforcement serving as a terrorist investigator for the FBI on the West Coast.

Keating returned to Tulsa as the assistant district attorney, and in 1972 was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives In 1981, President Ronald Reagan named him the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma. Keating later served as Associate Attorney General.

During his service in Washington, Keating was the highest-ranking Oklahoman in the Reagan and Bush administrations.

In 1991, President Bush appointed him to the federal bench, but that appointment was derailed by the incoming Clinton administration.

Watts, Oklahoma Representative, was mentioned as a possible candidate for an appointment to the Housing and Urban Development cabinet post.

Along with Watts, former Indianapolis Mayor and Bush's Chief Domestic Policy Adviser Stephen Goldsmith has been rumored as a potential appointee. Rick Lazio, Richard Rosen and Bob Woodson are also mentioned as HUD cabinet post prospects.

Lazio is only mentioned as a prospect if he loses his New York Senate bid. Aside from being mentioned as a possible HUD prospect, Watts has also been mentioned as a contender for the energy secretary job.

James Langdon, Jr., an energy lawyer who helped gain significant funds for the Bush campaign, also is a choice for energy secretary, according to the Statesman.

Tony Garza, member of the Texas Railroad Commission, which oversees the oil and gas industry in Texas, also is a possibility.

Bill Shapard, Watts' press secretary, said that Watts is focusing on his reelection campaign for Congress.

"The Congressman is running for re-election right now," Shapard said. "No role has been discussed and he has not been approached about either position."

Other possible cabinet appointments that might change the face of Washington, D.C., if Bush is elected are Colin Powell, secretary of state; Bush adviser Paul Wolfowitz, secretary of defense; Bush adviser Condoleza Rice, national security adviser; and Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs, agriculture secretary, according to a Statesman article.

College workload found harder by freshmen

By Jessica Bartlett
The Post

ATHENS, Ohio (U-WIRE)– As Fall Quarter als approach, many Ohio niversity students said ey are concerned about ur grades.

The end of the quarter is pecially tough for firstear students, who are mak the transition from high ool to a demanding colge workload.

"It's a lot more time-con ing," said OU freshman m Beckner, of Cleveland. It's more up to you, not the eacher."

James Short, a part-time structor who teaches educational psychology at OU, aid the major difference rom high school to college that students now need to comprehend the material, rather than just memorize it.

The difficulty of adjusting to life away from home, increased course content and busier schedules all make the adjustment from high school to college challenging, he said.

Students also often come to college lacking the proper skills to study and take good notes, Short said Professors who do not give enough detailed handouts also make the transition difficult.

Yet he said students must take responsibility for their schoolwork regardless.

Larger class sizes also deter students' questions, provide easy opportunities to skip classes and cause students to fall behind, Short said.

Beckner, who said he attends every class, has studied more than ever but is still worried about his grade in History 101. Even when he prepares for a minor quiz, he said he studies as if it were an important test.

"You have less grades and less opportunities," Beckner said. "Every point counts, you can't slack off on one."

OU freshman Nick Feltch, of Camden, said professors give fewer graded assignments in college than high school, and he is required to cover a lot of the material on his own.

"If you do bad once, then you're more motivated to do better the next time," he said. "I'm afraid I'm gonna be right on the line of getting what I want to get (grades)."

Although he studies much more than in high school, Feltch said he does not feel overwhelmed. He is enrolled in University College 115, an orientation course designed to help first-year students adapt to college.

But Feltch said the class has not prepared him as he had hoped.

"You can only prepare yourself through experience," he said.

Other first-year students said they do not fear final exam week.

OU freshman Maggie Harris, of Xenia, said her college workload is not much more strenuous than high school.

.8 B.A.C. grounds for DUI

by Zeb Eckert

Washington Bureau (U-Wire)President Clinton, flanked by victims of drunk drivers, signed a long-anticipated bill Monday thatwould create the first-ever national drunk driving standard. "We have been working for years now to increase awareness, strengthen laws and toughen enforcement," President Clinton told families and victims of drunk driving incidents in a Rose Garden ceremony.

The new law sets the impaired driving standard at .08 percent blood alcohol content, a lower number than the .10 BAC most states now use. Estimated to save upwards of 500 lives a year, the bill comes as part of the 2001 Transportation Act, a hard-fought three-year battle between the president and the Republican-controlled Congress

"This .08 standard is the biggest step to toughen drunk driving laws and reduce alcohol-related crashes since a national minimum drinking age was established a generation ago," Clinton said. "We sounded the call here at the White House for a .08 standard in all 50 states over two and a half years ago. It has been an uphill battle."

In 1995, Clinton signed a zero tolerance law for underage drinking and driving. But according to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, between 1986 and 1997 the largest age group arrested for OUI per 100,000 drivers was 21- to 34-year-olds. And among this generation, more undergraduates will die from alcohol-related causes, more than the number of students who will get masters degrees and doctorates combined, MADD reports.

For Millie Webb, president of MADD, the president's signature marked an important step forward in the fight to save lives. And for those under the age of 21, MADD's message is simple. "If you're under 21, the amount of alcohol you're supposed to have is none," Webb told U-WIRE Monday morning. "We're doing everything within our power to educate." MADD places significant focus on educating high school and college-aged students about the dangers of drinking and driving.

With President Clinton at her side, Webb recalled the 1972 accident that claimed the life of her young daughter and nephew. She suffered burns over 75 percent of her body and a broken neck. Webb's unborn child at the time, Kara, was born legally blind due to the crash. "A lot of people don't feel it can happen to them," said 17-year-old La'Tina Taylor, who lost her cousin three years ago to a drunk driver. "You can be a statistic."

The president said the message of the day was simple. "Alcohol is still the single greatest factor in motor vehicle deaths and injuries," he said. "This law... is simply a common sense way to stop that."

Opponents of the bill said it unfairly targets those who may have lower tolerances and are just casual drinkers. But according to statistics by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 15 states had .08 BAC laws in place in 1997. In those states, 274 lives were saved. The NHTSA estimates if all 50 states had such laws in place that year, an additional 590 lives could have been saved.

Jan Blaser-Upchurch, vice president of Victims Issues for MADD, said lowering the standard to .08 BAC would make a significant difference. "It is important that we recognize that (.08 BAC) is a national standard," the Tucson, Ariz., woman said. "It's really going to save so many families."

The .08 measure comes as part of a larger transportation bill designed to improve roads, bridges, airports and mass transit. Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) and Representative Nita Lowey (D-NY) were vocal proponents on Capitol Hill. "The law is effective," the president said. "When a driver with a .08 blood level turns the ignition, that driver is turning a car into a lethal weapon."

Texas Gov. George W. Bush became the country's 43rd president early Wednesday morning for two hours as part of one of the closest elections in history.

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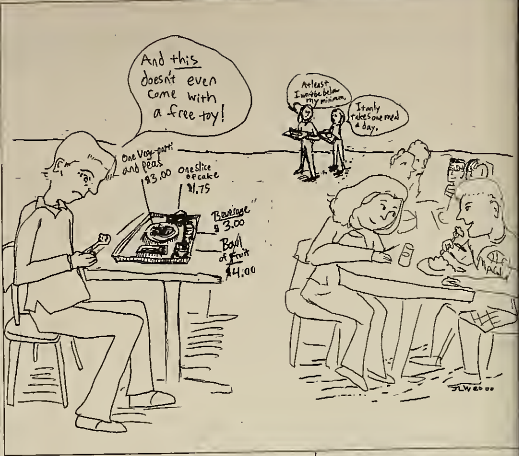
EDITORIALS

What is all this "God" talk anyway?

There has been a creeping suspicion about Southern for a while now. It almost seems like the school wants all of its students to become Christians The first indications were prayers in class. Closely following the prayer thing was the fact that there are a lot of churches in this area. Even the newer freshmen can sense that something just isn't right about the University.

Now, Southern students aren't known for complaining much, but they're starting to wonder just what is going on here. "Required worships?", they cry! Some have accused the deans and other faculty of encouraging students to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Common rumors about the school being a Christian one are dispelled by the high concentration of normal people on campus.

Most attendees of SAU are here for the excellent academics and also due to a little encouragement from their parents (who are also being eyed suspiciously). Often students who are offended by possible religious overtones only stay because they can't receive their degree anywhere else. A growing anxiety about what the administration's intentions are is brewing and some leaders have arisen from the crowd to fight this injustice. Their goal is to reach every student with their message - "Do something now, before the powers-that-be turn all of us into moral, God-fearing individuals." Lord knows what an awful thing that would be



The commercialization of the Christmas season

(U-WIRE) BLACKSBURG, Va. - It's Nov. 7 and there are 48 days until Christmas Day, yet stores are already beginning to capitalize on the commercial juggernaut that is the holiday season.

Walking through many of the major stores in the area, giant plastic candy canes are lining walkways, fake snow is spilling over into store aisles and motorized reindeer frolic on display. While leaves remain on trees, people can walk into a winter wonderland inside stores.

Christmas, in all its Holy Spirit, has been degraded to an enormous commercial plague. The infectious corporate Christmas plague oozes its fake, plastic holiday commercial exploit earlier on the calendar each year

The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade used to symbolize the beginning of the holiday season and the time when shoppers would soon flood the malls. Apparently, Thanksgiving is not profitable enough for companies, so they have expanded the Christmas season to extend all the way to Halloween. The tacky and tasteless decorations are beginning to sprout in stores and on sidewalks three weeks before Thanksgiving. Christmas parades, movies and toys have replaced caroling, church and the thought of giving.

Whether it be Cabbage Patch Kids, G.I. Joe, Power Rangers, Tickle Me Elmo or Furby, stores create the must-have toys for kids. Parents journey hours, battle each other and traffic to get the latest hit toy their kids are dying to have.

Parents are highly stressed by their kids' increased sugar intake along with the fear they will not be able to find the toy that makes their children's Christmas. Now the new PlayStotion 2 is the ultimate must-have everyone wants to get their hands on. Sony has only shipped half of its expected shipments and stores are sold out until after Christmas. This leaves many children and parents without the latest technological wonder.

Whether the toy be a Furby, Tickle Me Elmo or PlayStation 2, Christmas has lost its spiritual meaning. It has become an event for retail stores to increase fourth-quarter earnings.

The fact that Christmas has become a giant plastic candy cane on sale this week only for $19.95 needs to be addressed. We all need to take a step back and look around us.

Do you like what you see? Do you want to be caught up in the hoopla that the Christmas season has become?

Don't let corporate America dictate your holidays. Parents and children don't have to be driven like a mass of cows to be slaughtered in lines at malls Decide for yourself what the season means to you and how you want to spend it.

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Eyes and ears

Causing casual anarchy and promoting Gloria Steinam-like equality .

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

I often enter my alternative world, known as Red Sonja World, during the writing of this column.

Ralph Nader just won the election Hurrah for the Green Party!

Ah, the fury over buying beer by the drink. If beer by the drink had been five miles closer, I suppose I would have become an alcoholic Thank the stars Collegedale didn't allow the law to pass. That was close.

Remember playing boys vs. girls? Let's do it again.

What's the difference between Thatcher and Talge? I arrange for a duel of the deans to decide.

So, Associate Dean of Women, Kassy Krause, when are the front doors locked?

"10:00 every evening," she replies.

So, Dean of Men, Dwight Magers same question.

"11:00 every day."

Thatcher has one side door. Talge has two. When are the doors locked?

"10:00," says Krause.

"11:00," says Magers.

How long are the visiting sexes allowed to remain in the dorm lobby?

Until 10 p.m., Krause tells me

Are there any exceptions-midterms for example? I ask.

Yes, there are.

Until 10 p.m., Magers tells me.

(I look at the clock. It's 10.50. There are 12 girls, including me, in the lobby.)

I point and ask about RA Jimmy's fiancee, Carolyn.

"We let the girls stay until 11:00 or so. She can stay until 11:30," he says.

I have the feeling most girls are exceptions.

Back at Thatcher, the lobby is empty, save for a few stray girls and one desk worker.

The solution to these inequalities–and I'm sure there are much more of them–is really very simple. If you are a girl (check here), visit Talge. If you are a boy (check here), you're just fine.

However, if you are a girl, you can fix computers in Talge rooms Hurrah for equality of the sexes

Unionizing grad students

(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA - Last week's ruling from the National Labor Relations Board paves the way for graduate student teaching assistants at private colleges across the country to unionize for the purposes of collective bargaining.

Fortunately, this ruling is unlikely to have an immediate impact here, where TAs have expressed general satisfaction with their compensation and working conditions. But it should nevertheless send a message to Penn and other universities around the country that they now have less leverage in talks with their graduate students.

In denying their collective bargaining rights, college administrators have said graduate students attend an institution primarily to prepare for academic careers and that their TA duties are secondary. Students counter that they often bear the same teaching burdens as faculty members but lack any of the same rights

Still, the important thing administrators should take from this ruling is that graduate students should be accommodated, within reason, to the point where union formation and actio[n] are not necessary.

No one – nor any insti[tu]tion's academic mission – [is] well-served by confli[cts] such as those which ... ed Yale University in th[e] early and mid-1990s. The[n] more than 1,400 grad ... students went on strike ... any one time over iss[ues] ranging from pay and h... benefits to collective ba[r]gaining rights and th[e] impartiality of grievan[ce] procedures. Classes we[re] cancelled, professors we[re] divided over whether th[ey] should cross picket lin[es] and the general educatio[nal] climate of the university ... fered.

These lessons should ... tainly not be lost on Univ[er]sity President Judith ... who was dean of Yale's ... uate school during strikes ... 1991 and 1992. We hope ... her office and those of ... individual school dea[ns] remain responsive to th[e] needs and grievances ... graduate students to h... off conflicts in the future.

This staff editorial ori[gi]nally appeared in the D[aily] Pennsylvanian at the Univ[er]sity of Pennsylvania ... November 7, 2000.

Take Back the Night a step in the right direction

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - By forcing the community to confront the scope, immediacy and reality of violence against women, Take Back the Night should turn a problem that is hard to talk about into a pressing issue that is hard to ignore.

Indeed, violence directed at women is a problem at Georgetown, one that is too often viewed through the opaque lens of statistics. By replacing numbers with faces, Take Back the Night tells the community that as long as one woman is threatened at Georgetown, there is a problem that needs to be addressed.

The weeklong events begin with the dedication of an on-campus garden that will commemorate and honor victims of violence against women. The garden's permanence will remind us that violence against women is an enduring problem that cannot merely be addressed on a case-by-case basis. The problem is far more serious than a few isolated incidents.

While Take Back the Night organizers are petitioning the university to change policies pertaining to incidents of violence directed at women, they are also offering students something equally more useful: a forum to learn about the existing services offered and regulations followed by the university.

Friday night's march and speak-out will provide a provocative ending to the week of events and give the community powerful inspiration to keep the problem out of the closet.

Violence against women is not just a "women's problem." Rather, it is a problem women cannot solve alone. And with all of the controversy swelling around the Women's Center, it is easy, and perhaps conveniently comfortable, to dismiss it as one of the controversial group's liberal-feminist causes. All of the university's focus on solving alcohol problems has left violence against women on the back burner. This is a problem that needs our direct attention now

Take Back the Night will empower the women involved, both personally and as a group – for some, it will be the beginning of an entirely new phase in life.

But the burden is on the community to make sure that Georgetown is a place where no woman should ever need to be scared. It should be a place where women's concerns and problems are handled responsibly, quickly and justly. It should be a place where the issues that are hardest to discuss are not ignored. Take Back the Night is a good start.

This staff editorial originally appeared in The Hoya at Georgetown University on November 7, 2000.

The Accent would like to thank each and every student who voted in the election on Tuesday. By doing that, you have contributed to the democracy that we have enjoyed for the last 224 years. By voting, you have participated in a historical event, one of the closest presidential races in history. We would also like to note that this coming March, the Collegedale City Commission will hold elections, and we encourage every student to participate in that as well.

Fruit flies worship

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...Instead, you end up wha-
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...to you about whether the
...person on stage is wearing a
...toupee or not.
...Monday. You have to
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...fit in dorm worship. You get
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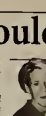
...water bottle in the back as
...well as your purse, note-
...book, and any other object
...that could possibly be a
...source of entertainment.
...You sit there, bored and
...resentful that you are not in
...the study session that you
...really needed to go to. You
...tap your foot impatiently, roll
...your eyes and look at the
...clock.
...So you really have an attitude when it lasts for 20 minutes. And it was not double-credit.
...Gerrr.
...Administration is mad at us because we are loud.
...I find it amusing how this seems to be such a mystery. I mean, people are walking around scratching their heads in puzzlement over why the noise level in Convocation, dorm worship and Vespers is so high.
...If you ask me, it's pretty simple. The combination of requiring 2,000 students to attend meetings in one building with barely enough seating is enough to cause a lot of noise.



Harmony Tillerson

We should talk to strangers

Heather Flynt

My mommy always told me never to talk to strangers...

Last week I was in Atlanta, just taking in all of the interesting things the city has to offer. Atlanta has many wonderful things to discover. Olympic park, great shopping venues and of course my favorite restaurant in the entire world, The Cheesecake Factory. I don't even like cheesecake, but this place is unreal. All of this is really not entirely important or relevant to the heart of my story here, but I wanted to give you a setting.

After spending most of an afternoon in Atlanta I ended up in the CNN center. Just standing in this building makes me proud to be a communications major. I canonized the bookshop as well as the eatery until deciding on a chocolatey, low-fat, sugar-free yogurt (I tasted as bad as it sounds).

I was walking around the insides of this building, which is massive, eating my less than desirable yogurt, completely minding my own business. This older gentleman, probably about forty, walked past me and his rip per was down. I couldn't help but notice. It's just one of those things, you know?

I said something to him. I didn't know where he was headed and what kind of people would notice the same thing I did and I wanted to save him some embarrassment, so I said something to him.

"Your zipper is down." Pretty simple I thought, and helpful too.

The guy just looked at me with disgust, as if I had pulled his zipper down myself, as if I had pulled him in the middle of the CNN Center and had said "look everyone, this guy's zipper is down." Goodness! I thought I was doing him a favor.

I was upset and startled by his reaction to my kindness and insightfulness. He kept walking, rounded a corner and I never saw him again.

Tell me something. Why can't we talk to strangers? I know that when I was five years old my mother was trying to protect me, but do we really need to wait until once you reach adulthood? What if I really never did talk to another stranger? It WOULD be a pretty lonely person. How are we supposed to make new friends and acquaintances if we never talk to strangers?

People are so used to walking through public places and acting as if they are completely isolated from the rest of mankind. I don't get it. Why can't we be friendly when we pass someone on the street? When I actually am friendly to a stranger they look at me as if I have a weird growth on my head. What have our mothers done to us?

I don't really think it's all the fault of our mothers. There certainly is wisdom in the safety issues surrounding the concept of not talking to strangers. But what has happened to us as a society that we are so busy and so close-minded to not be able to look up and smile every now and then?

I often wonder what my life would be like if I talked to more strangers.

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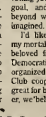
Reflections on an election year



Rob York

By the time you read this, the 2000 election is already over. Me telling you who is the better man for this country at this time is a moot point. But there are a few points of this election that I would be remiss if I left out. There are people to thank, people to congratulate, and commendations to be made.

I am proud to be a Republican. And, win or lose, I am proud to have been a member of the Republican Club. I'd like to thank Dave, Brandon and Cort, you guys have been great to work with. You have provided the leadership we needed to make the club a success. I'd like to thank Zach Shultz and Jacob Forster for helping by submitting articles and making the job of Issues Director easier. To all those who showed up to our meetings, to our debate and to the golf tournament, we thank you for taking an interest. Provoking your interest was our goal, and we succeeded beyond what even we had imagined.

I'd like to congratulate my mental enemy...I'm sorry, beloved friends within the Democratic Club for getting organized this year. Inter-Club cooperation has been great for both clubs. Together, we helped 200+ students register to vote who might not have otherwise. Together we published articles in the Accent, held a debate and advertised our position. All for the purpose of educating the student body. But it wasn't all business. We had some fun times, such as at Family Feud, when the Democrats made a valiant effort but were simply overmatched by the Republican onslaught. These are memories we will all treasure in our declining years.

To Troy Ondrejek, you and I have many political differences, but the fact that you take such an active role in politics and in the way this country is run does our entire generation proud. I'd also like to apologize for a few of my kindred Republicans who are boneheads. I apologize for the baby killer, socialist, and other names my conscious people have called you. More Republicans should be as responsible as you.

In closing, I'd like to thank the Accent for their help, and for running these articles and letters to the editor. Without you, none of this would be possible. Now that the election is over, we must remain active. The race may have ended, but the issues live on. Of course, I'll be easier for me to say that if Bush wins. If Gore wins, well...they say Germany's nice this time of year.

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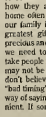
Will love you always



Amber Risinger

...ve, many times have heard someone say to "I love you, and don't ...ll that", "one day we ...ll have to say good-bye", ...re you more than any...ne girlfriend or girlfriend, ...er or sister, mom or ...ve just a friend. They ...y your heart through ...day. Everyday is ...ter, no challenge is to ...fe is worth living. ...ot one day, that person ...loved you that much ...where anyone, so then ...r How do you except ...They rarely call or ...r come over to say ...s is that they are giv...e much as you have? ...ralize that you've not ...thing then that you ...do you continue loving ...other anyway? If you ...someone, how can you ...simply stop? Maybe ...Just become lazy, or have they? Maybe it's time to figure out what you care about the most, what you can live without and what you can't.

People tend to take care of themselves above others. We want to make sure that we aren't embarrassed or let down. So, we don't commit or give too much of ourselves. We give up and say we are too busy to take time to contact a friend and see how they are. Do we call friends just to see how our family is (one of God's greatest gifts)? People are too busy to let you know they are need to show it. Don't take people for granted, they may not be there one day. I don't believe in the saying, "bad timing". That's the nice way of saying it is not convenient. If someone is important to you, let them know.

There was a girl who loved a man very much. She saw Him one afternoon. They spent a lot of time together. Before they parted, she poured precious ointment on His feet. She wanted Him to see how much she loved Him, and return she felt the love He had for her. She may never have felt His love so strong. If she had not given of herself that day. Her chance would have come and gone leaving her regretful that she missed a chance to give something precious. A beautiful memory.

Take the time to love people completely. Put yourself aside. If you do you'll find relationships to cherish, forever.

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil, cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Romans 12:9,10

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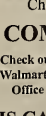
Bad coffee, onion rings and friends



Janelle Wasmer

My parents often told me when I was growing up that "college years are the best years of your life". In a ten-year-old, that doesn't mean very much. Now that I'm actually here and living it, I think I know what they might have been talking about when they told me that.

Yes, we are all here to learn, but I highly doubt that it will be the classes, lectures and tests that we will all look back on fondly at our 20-year class reunions. It will be the friends we made during our college life. It will be the memories of crazy adventures and lazy afternoons...or in my case, bad coffee and onion rings.

A few nights ago, I happened to go to Geary's with my best friend. We didn't go for the food; neither one of us were really hungry. We didn't go for the coffee either(and to be quite honest, Denny's coffee is some of the worst stuff I have ever had, coming in second only to Waffle Houses everywhere). We went because we wanted to sit and talk and not really worry about much of anything at all.

Much to my amusement, we were not the only Southern students there. Our waitress was a Southern student. The people at the booth next to us were from Southern. I know they weren't there for the coffee either, since neither of them were drinking any, and one of them was quite occupied in a sketch she was doing (maybe for class?). It appeared that they were there for reasons quite similar to our own.

While we sat there in our booth, we shared an order of onion rings, and talked about everything from the cute little kid at the table next to us, to what we had coming up in class the next day (I had a test. Yuck).

It was right about then that I realized that THIS was what it was all about. THIS was what had made this time "the best years of my life" – sitting in a sticky booth with my best friend, sharing onion rings, sipping bad coffee, and generally having the time of my life.

Janelle is a senior computer information systems administration major She co-edits the technology and science sections of the Accent.

Partners at Wellness

A column geared toward helping students live positive, well-balanced lives.

By Julia Oetman
Staff Contributor

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...r is one of the most
...portant things the body
...on a day-to-day
...It is a tool that revives your health. Here are some examples of things that water can help with:

• Builds up your immune system.

• Helps fight off fatigue.

• Helps with headaches

• Decreases the risk of kidney stones by diluting the mineral content in the urinary system

• Rids the body of waste products and bacteria

As you can see, water does a lot of good things for the human body. So if you get the urge to eat late at night, drink a big glass of water.

Your daily water needs are: _ ounce of water per pound of body weight.)

Just a reminder for those of you participating in the PAW Points, PLEASE turn in your slips. If you have any questions contact Julie Oetman @ ext. 2549 or pawsoutcru.edu. Remember the top 20 people will receive a prize for your efforts. Good Luck!

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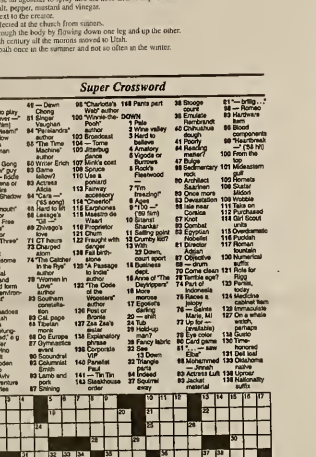
Humor

Thursday, November 9, 2000

Elementary answers

a. The parts of speech are the lungs and air.
b. The inhabitants of Moscow are mosquitoes
c. A census taker is a man who goes from house to house increasing the population
d. Water is composed of two gals, oxygen, and hydrogen, oxygen is pure gin, and hydrogin is gin and water.
e. (define H2O and CO2) H2O is hot water and CO2 is cold water.
f. The geographical of the Alps is straight up
g. A city purifies its water supply by filtering the water then forcing it through an aviator.
h. Most of the houses in France are made from plaster of Paris.
i. The spinal column is a long bunch of bones. The head sits on top and you sit on the bottom.
j. One of the main causes of dust is janitors.
k. A scout obeys all to whom obedience is due and respects all duly constituted authorities
l. To prevent head colds, use an aqonizer to spray into the nose until it drips into the throat
m. The four seasons are salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.
n. The climate is hottest next to the creator.
o. Syntax is all money collected at the church from sinners.
p. The blood circulates through the body by flowing down one leg and up the other.
q. In the middle of the 18th century all the morons moved to Utah.
r. A person should take a bath once in the summer and not so often in the winter.

Super Crossword



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1 Pay to play
6 "Forever!—" (47 film)
15 "Go, team!"
18 Window parts
19 German "the"
20 "The Gong Show" host
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23 Jergens or Ardalis
33 "The Shadow over Innsmouth" author
38 "In a Free State" author
37 "Sly Three" singer
39 Most loathsome
40 Ring official
41 Pe land
46 Word form for "environment"
48 '92 Tornadoes struck!
49 "Ode to Billy Joe" singer
52 Guitar Trevino
53 Cent
55 Wooden strip
56 — Arv
57 Adventure stories
60 — Chong
61 Elegy
64 "Pe-islands" author
65 "The Time Machine" author
66 Bitter
68 Bone fellow?
69 Actress Alda
70 "Cats —" ('65 song)
75 Hard to lift
76 Lasagna
77 "Oil — Troubles" film
78 Ziviego's bird
79 — hours
80 Charged atom
74 "The Catcher in the Rye" author
83 Southern constellation
84 Cut, as a deal
85 "Dracula" movie
86 Do Europe
87 Gymnastics event
90 Scoundrel
92 Columnist Ephron
93 Lamb and pork
97 Shining
98 "Charlotte's Web" author
100 "Hoyle-the-Pooh" author
102 Broadcast
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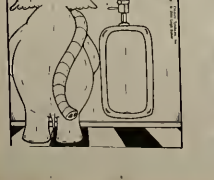

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Signs your RA is losing i

Compiled by Rob York

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9. He begins constructing forts in the hallway "Just in case 2nd main decides to invade someday."
8. You find him crouched outside you room with a stetho-scope. His explanation: "The music's too loud."
7. You go into your RA's room and find action figures name after everyone in your hall.
6. The head of your action figure shows up in your mailbox one day.
5. He sings "The Name Game" during check.
4. "I'm ready to tell you my secret. I....see....alumni."
3. You see him come out of a dark, empty room during nightcheck wearing black.
2. He stops charging a dollar for locking yourself out of you room. Instead, he demands socks.
1. "If you don't clean up your room, I will stab you with this lighter."

Cynics guide to lif

1. Follow your dreams! Unless of course it's the one where you're at work in your underwear during a fire drill.

2. Do not walk behind me for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me, either. Just leave me alone.

3. If you don't like my driving, don't call anyone. Just take another road; that's why the highway depart-

4. When I'm down I like to whistle...It makes the neighbor's dog run to the end of his chain and gag himself.

5. It's always darkest before dawn. So if you're going to steal the neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.

6. A handy telephone tip: always keep a chalkboard next to the phone. That way when a telemarketer calls you can hold the phon to the board and sc your fingers ear 8 kil hang up.

7. Into every life rain must fall, usually your car windows we

8. love is like a r coaster. When every goes well, you don't w get off, but when it g you can't wait to throw

9. This land is my this land is your land, a on your land.

Flower powe

A big shot business man had to spend a couple of days in the hospital. He was a royal pain to the nurses because he bossed them around just like he did his employees. None of the hospital staff wanted to have anything to do with him. The head nurse was the only one who could stand up to him. She walked into his room and announced, "I have to take your temperature."

After complaining for several minutes, he finally settled down, crossed his arms and opened his mouth. "No, no, I'm sorry," the nurse stated, "not for this reading. I can't use an oral thermometer." This started another round of complaints, but eventually he rolled over and bared his behind. After feeling the

nurse insert the thermometer, he heard her announce, "I have to get something.

Now you stay JUST THAT until I get back! left the door to his open on her way ou complained to himself his breath as he hur ple walk past the lo laugh. After almost a the man's doctor ca the room. "What's go here?" asked the Angrily, the man arr "What's the matter Haven't you ever seen one having their tem ture taken before?" slight pause, the replied, "Yes, but ar a difficult!"

Highway patrol

A San Diego Patrolman pulled over a driver and informed him that because he was wearing his seat belt, he had just won $5,000 in a safety competition. "What are you going to do with the prize money?" the officer asked. The man responded, "I guess I'll go to driving school and get my license."

At that moment his wife, who was seated next to him, chimed in "Officer, don't listen to him. He's a smart aleck when he's been drinking." This woke up the guy in the back seat, who, when he saw the cop blurted out "I knew we wouldn't get far in this stolen car."

At that moment, there was a knock from the trunk, and a muffled voice asked, "Are we over the border yet?"

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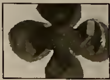
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ANILA, Philippines — the first time in Philippine history, the House has impeachment charges st the president to the te for trial, charging ph Estrada with taking ons of dollars in illegal ts There was no vote he full House, as had expected. But a vote unnecessary because than the required one- of members signed a ion. Estrada may have gh support in the Sen- o remain in office. Two- s of the Senate must for removal and the ess could take months.
OSCOW — Russian ident Vladimir Putin Monday that Russia the United States could drastic cuts in their ar arsenals far beyond ng proposals. Putin, is pushing to downsize ge and inefficient mili- that Russia can no r afford, said the for- Cold War opponents not stop at the 1,500- ead limit Russia has advocating up until He did not propose any fic numbers
ERUSALEM — Gun- ambushed Israeli vehi- in two simultaneous ks in Israeli-controlled ts of the West Bank on nday, killing four people wounding eight in a escalation of Israeli- stinian fighting. The otings Monday after- happened on roads een the Jewish settle- ts of Ofra and Shilo. An h official warned that military would stiffen its onse to a growing num- of Palestinian gunfire ks against Israeli forces ivilians.
OKYO — U.S. and nese planes and ships red waters off northern for a missing pilot day after two U.S. mili- jets collided during a ing mission. The sec- pilot was rescued. The Cs stationed on Misawa Air Base in northern collided about 410 north of Tokyo early day, the Japanese Coast rd said. Both pilots rently ejected from planes and one of them rescued by the Japan- Air Self-Defense Force, ials said.
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Enjoying the last pleasant afternoons of fall, Jesse Rademacher, senior computer science major, takes a nap in front of Hackman Hall.

COMP 102, speech classes filled fast

Zier: Preregistration 'going smoothly'

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

The number of preregistration students has increased from last year's totals, but students needing required English and speech classes may have to wait another semester.

As of 3 p.m., November 14, a total of 1,362 students had preregistered, nearly equaling last year's total of 1,402 students that preregistered by January's registration, according to Joni Zier, director of records and advisement. Among the 69 closed classes are all 13 sections of College Composition 102, commonly known as COMP 102.

"We are aware of the problem," said Wilma McClarty, chair of the English department. "We have contacted two potential teachers to hopefully fill our needs."

More students still need to take the required COMP 102, normally a freshman class.

About 180 new students normally enroll second semester; about 75 percent are freshman. And 159 current freshman have yet to preregister.

"It's the highest recent demand [for COMP 102 classes]," McClarty said, citing the increased enrollment as the reason. COMP 102 classes average 25 students per class.

The English department is also missing professor Debbie Higgins, who is on medical leave.

The school of journalism and communication has been forced to find more professors to teach the required Introduction to Public Speaking class.

Fifteen sections of speech are being offered next semester, believed by Volker Henning, chair of the school of journalism and communication, to be the most speech classes ever offered at Southern.

"All those classes will fill up and we are over the limit," Henning said.

Six of the fifteen sections

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Avant addresses student concerns

By Jimmy Rhodes
Staff Writer

Parking availability, ticketing and student safety along with issues pertaining to food service and campus bicycles were the crucial topics that heated up Tuesday night's student senate meeting.

Mr. Eddie Avant, director of campus safety, kicked off the night's festivities by conducting an open question and answer session for the 23 student senators. Each senator had the opportunity to voice his of her opinions on behalf of the student body regarding student parking, petitioning procedures, and student safety.

The first number of questions fired at Avant pertained to the unavailability of parking spots for dormitory students. Student representatives wanted to know if there were going to be any additional parking spots available, besides the Talge and Thatcher lots, for students living on campus who need to get to class quicker.

Without hesitation Avant answered by stating that dorm students must keep their cars in their designated spots Avant pointed out to the senate that there were 2,500 total cars registered with only 1,600 parking spaces available for village and dorm students.

Avant did say that there is talk about adopting a parking plan implemented by the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga where different lots have different prices for parking. Those lots closest to buildings will be the most expensive while lots farthest from buildings will be the least expensive.

Ticketing appeals was the next topic of discussion among Avant and the student senators.

Some of the senators complained because they felt that appeals are useless and a waist of time because so many are rejected.

"I try to be fair and consistent," Avant said. "We write 3,000 tickets a year and we appeal half of them. Many students just do not understand the word 'no' and write many appeals which I find to be quite

New teacher evaluation forms to be issued

By Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

Class evaluation forms could be different this year due to questions of effectiveness of previous forms.

Towards the end of the semester teacher and class evaluation forms are passed to students in order to rate and give the administration some idea of how the students value the classes taken. These are reviewed and compiled to give the teacher some idea of what they can do to make the class better for future students and of what they should leave the same.

For several years there has been talk of changing the current forms to one which would be made more specific towards the individual classes or area of education.

Several departments have voiced concerns for a more specific form that could be used to give better feedback from the students as to what is good in the class, what wasn't good, and what could be done to make the class a better experience.

Dr. Ben McArthur wonders if students actually use the forms to voice their concerns or if they totally disregard the forms thinking that they don't make a difference.

"If we see a 'straight A' form it doesn't really tell us anything other than the student doesn't care."

He speaks of the forms that use a scale of agreement or disagreement for the multiple "core" questions that are used for all classes. Many students circle the "strongly agree" or "strongly disagree" letters on the form just to get it over with and out of the way.

David Warden, SA President for the university, acknowledges that the

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Southern's auto department serves college community

By Rob York
Staff Writer

If you're a poor college student and your car breaks down, where do you go?

Many on campus choose Ledford Hall; home of Southern Adventist University's automotive department, and Dale Walters, department head.

Dr. Jan Haluska, English professor and the driver of a 1974 Volvo, said that he has relied on the automotive department for many years now. "Dale Walters is an inspired mechanic" Haluska says. "[He's] one of the few people who can fix a '74 Volvo and get it right the first time. In the past I've had to go straight to the company to get it fixed because other mechanics couldn't get it right the first time. I trust Dale Walters a great deal."

Many students on campus said they make use of the automotive department when their cars need repair. Tom Zeismer, a senior computer science major, says, "I've done a lot of business with them. They're the only mechanics in the area that I really trust." Even when the car's problem is not easy to define, Ledfore still finds a way to provide a service. Senior general studies major Chris Baker says that he took his car to Ledford to have it repaired, but he said "They couldn't figure out what was wrong with it. But they did replace my air filter, which was nice."

Dale Walters heads up the automotive department. He has been head of the department since 1988. He said, "Quite a few Southern students, faculty, and staff provide for our business. The repair work we do pays for three quarters of our expenses, so not all of it comes from tuition." Walters expresses pride in the department's ability to keep its prices low. "We do all we can to keep cost down. We've been able to for 12 years, and we're working on a 13th."

As a teacher of a department that currently has 11 majors, Walters said, "The automotive field has a very bright future. There is a major shortage, especially for those who understand the computer and business side of the field."

Walters quoted a statistic from the Department of Labor to back up his claims. "A master certified technician can make $70,000 to $80,000 per year. While they may not get that much when they're starting out, that's not the kind of money people think of a mechanic making."

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Josh Bennett, junior auto service major, works on a car in Ledford Hall Tuesday afternoon.

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forms can be unappreciated by students.
"When I see a form the thought that goes through my mind is 'more work'."
Getting a student to accurately fill out a form can be a difficult process, especially if a teacher waits until the end of the class period to hand out the evaluation slips. Many students are more anxious to get out of class early than to take the time to really think about the questions and even write comments on the back of the paper.
The new form could get students to actually think to answer the questions. If the new form is made several questions could be made class specific depending on what the teacher would like to know.
The form is not currently able to use but Ed Lamb, Chair of the University Senate as well as the Social Work and Family Studies, proposed that the new forms be tested to see how helpful they can be.
Ted Ashton, Programmer/Analyst at SAU, would be undertaking the project of revising the forms.
"Changing the code related to the core questions isn't a real problem. The more sizable job comes when individual teachers want to make their own questions and that can take some time."
Helen Pyke, Associate Professor of English, thinks that the biggest problem is getting the students to recognize that the forms are important to the teachers.
"The student is the best person to evaluate their own progress and growth. Some students may think that the teacher never sees or reads the comments on the back of the form, but for me that's what I think is most important."

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are currently filled.
"The school of journalism and communication has done everything in its power to meet the need of the campus," Henning added.
John Keyes, professor of journalism and communication, will teach five sections of speech next semester. About 20 students are in each section.
Henning said that nearly 700 students at Southern still need to take a speech class, yet there is room for less than half - about 300 - of those students next semester.
But despite the closed sections, Zier said preregistration has improved.
"Things are going smoothly and advisors seem to be accommodating students better," Zier said. "Students are realizing it pays to get classes in advance."

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humorous."
Avant stressed that, although campus safety consider's each and every appeal, it is a big waist of the department's time to evaluate each appeal since some students do not take parking regulations seriously.
Senator Brooke Naus responded by asking what criteria meet the standards for ticket exemption and if these could be listed on the petitions.
"I always accept appeals when the student has been injured and the appeal is accompanied by an official letter form his or her doctor," said Avant. "I also accept appeals stating that a student cannot make it to work on time due to conflicts in schedules, although the student must prove that his or her supervisor is unwilling to adjust the work schedule."
Avant also stated that he thought it would be a great idea for the criteria to be listed at the top of the petitions and made a note to consider the request made by Naus.
Student safety regarding pedestrian cross walks was one of the final topics addressed to Avant by the student senate.
Senator Brian Arner expressed concern about the two pedestrian crossings on University Drive stressing the fact that cars were not slowing down when students crossed the busy street.
Avant responded by saying that this is a very big problem that two more cross walks will most likely be added with yellow flashing yellow lights when the road is widened. Avant stressed that students do in fact have the right of way in cross walks and drivers need to slow down and be more observant.
Paul Meyers, vice president of the student association and member of the Collegedale police force, added that pedestrians only have the right of way when they are in the cross walk. He said that pedestrians do not have the right of way when they are about to step out in front of a moving vehicle.
After Avant had answered all of the questions, Senator Jimmy Carter took the floor were he addressed food service issues.
Carter said that salt shakers have been removed from tables because students have dumped salt all over the tables and have even added liquid to the shakers. The shakers have been banned from dinning room tables but will become available again after Thanksgiving break. Cater urged senators to take action when students are abusing their "salt-shaking" privileges so that salt shakers will not become permanently banned from the cafeteria.
According to Paul Meyers, the use of hair nets has become a big issue among students. Many have requested that workers in the cafeteria wear hair nets. Meyers says that the state of Tennessee does not require hair nets but he believes that they should be worn to protect the health of the students. Further research and investigation is being conducted regarding the issue.
Other issues under investigation raised by members were the overabundance of non-recyclable Styrofoam containers, increased cost of fruit due to its frozen state adding extra weight to scales, and a need for non-smoking signs in the Campus Kitchen.
Campus bicycles were also a concern because chains seem to be too long on the bicycles and because of a lack of parking racks. Meyers responded to both issues stating that tight chains snap easily and must stay loose and that the university is well aware of the lack of bicycle parking spaces.

Religion profs answer questions

By Della Stoica
Staff Writer

More than 30 students met Saturday with Dr. Ron Clouzet, dean of the School of Religion, to get answers to questions ranging from schoolwork to dating to personal Bible studies, in a new activity on campus called Cafe Chat.
Cafe Chat was created when students from a campus organization, Collegiate Adventist Theological Society (C.A.T.S.), a branch of the national Adventist Theological Society (A.T.S.), thought it would be good to get a religion professor to meet with students in a casual setting and ask questions about issues they are facing.
"A.T.S. is an organization that wants to affirm Biblical values and the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church," said Dr. Clouzet. Eike Mueller, president of the local chapter of C.A.T.S., thinks that Cafe Chat will be a big hit with Southern students. "People have all sorts of questions about God, the world, relationships. It's part of growing up, part of the transition into adulthood....Dr. Clouzet is a very spiritual and practical man. He is down-to-earth, and that's what comes across," Mueller said.
"I firmly believe that students learn just as much in an informal setting as in the classroom," said Clouzet. "Teachers need to be more accessible outside of the classroom."
"Cafe Chat is a great opportunity to ask questions that we hardly dare to ask to ask but are present. Dr. Clouzet begins with a devotional and then people go way off the topic, but that's the purpose," Mueller said.
Cecilia Luck, a sophomore biology major, attended Cafe Chat last week for the first time and asked a question regarding working on the Sabbath for a good cause. "[The answer] helps, but I'm still finding answers. I'm trying to get opinions," she said. "It's good to come to listen, because a person might not ask a question, but someone else might ask one that might help them in their life. This is also a great way to meet other students and get more connected at Southern," said Luck. So far, Dr. Clouzet has been the only professor to meet with the students, but other professors are likely to join later in the school year. A set schedule of meetings has not been made due to the religion professor's busy life.
Look for creative posters around campus, designed by Enno Mueller, a journalism and theology double major, and visit their Web site, tag-net.org/cats. Students who have questions for Dr. Clouzet or just want to listen are invited to the next session of Cafe Chat Saturday, Dec. 2 at 5:15 p.m. in the Presidential Banquet Room.

Pirates of Penzances peformance begins tonight

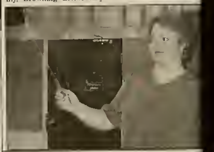
By Jennifer Crunk
Staff Writer

Forty students will be performing Pirates of Penzance, a musical about mistaken identities, said Scott Ball, Dean of the School of Music.
The musical will include 25 students performing along with a pit orchestra of about 12 students.
The musical will be held in Ackerman Auditorium and will be showing at 8:00 p.m. on November 16, 18, 19, and 20. Tickets cost $10, but the price is reduced to $2 with a student ID card.

Redmer named new orchestra director

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

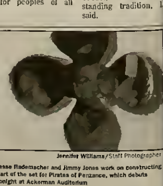
In her office, Laurie K. Redmer, Southern Adventist University's Symphony Orchestra's new director, has a picture of herself at four, her arms in the air, directing a musical gathering of her sister and friends.
She had an early start. "When I was six, my mom found me walking around the house with a cigar box," Redmer said. "I had put strings across the box and was using a stick as a bow."
Redmer has an undeniable love of music. She sings and hums and babums as she directs, and it is obvious that she will bring a new energy to the orchestra--and the music--she loves.
"The [symphony] group is wonderful," she said emphatically. "They sight-read well and they're very eager to learn."
The symphony orchestra is a 70-person organization of students, faculty staff and community people. The main purpose, she says, is to provide training for Music Performance majors. "Although many students are not Music students. Indeed, maybe 15 of the 70 people are Music majors."
Redmer came to Southern well educated with a bachelor's degree in Music Education in violin from Atlantic Union College and two Master's degrees in Viola Performance and Conducting from the New England Conservatory in Boston, Massachusetts. She has also taught K-12 music at South Lancaster Academy, Browning Elementary School, Greater Bost[on] Academy and Edgewo[od] Elementary School--all S[ev]enth-day Adventist sch[ools] in Massachusetts. She co[n]ducted the Young People['s] Philharmonia, a you[th] orchestra in Springfie[ld] Massachusetts. She al[so] conducted an adult comm[u]nity choir named the Sal[is]bury Singers in Worchest[er]. During the last two ye[ars] she worked at Columb[ia] Union College, conducti[ng] choirs there.
"And now I'm here," Re[d]mer said.
Redmer loves to trav[el]. In her office, she displa[ys] mementos from Russ[ia] where she visited twice w[ith] the Greater Boston Aca[de]my choir. In May 2002, s[he] plans to travel with Sou[th]ern's orchestra to Boli[via] and Brazil. Within Ameri[ca] the orchestra will travel [to] Florida in March 2001.
"I'm very pleased to [be in] this spot," she says, "A y[ear] ago today, in fact, was [the] day of my audition. [I] remember it was a very [...] day."
"This is currently [the] best conducting job av[ail]able in the denominati[on]," she adds, "and, of cou[rse] being a woman, and in [this] position, is wonder[ful]. There are many wo[men] choral conductors and [...] women orchestra con[duc]tors."
Redmer--who has a se[...] desire to play the basso[on] adds, "I've been told th[is is] the best university/coll[ege] orchestra in the state a[nd I] truly wouldn't be surpris[ed]."



New York trips leave this weekend

By Kyle Baldwin
Assistant News Editor

The New York City Tour, which includes the Social Work and Family Studies Department, the School of Visual Art and Design and the Business Department, begins this Saturday with over 140 students in a week long tour of New York City.
Students will have a variety of activities on their itenerary for the week.
The Social Work Department plans to experience the culture of the urban areas in New York.
Ed Lamb, Professor in the Social Work Department, said that the focus from the Social Department's point of view is "ethnicity and service...."
"Students begin to develop an appreciation for urban issues and urban life. I hope that they develop an appeciation for peoples of all kinds."
Behavorial Science [stu]dents will go to places [like] Ellis Island, different eth[nic] sections of New York [like] Chinatown and Harlem [and] will even feed the homel[ess] on Thanksgiving Day.
Art students will att[end] the New York Philharmo[nic,] Les Miserables, and will v[isit] world class museums [like] the Museum of Modern [Art,] the Metropolitan Muse[um] of Art and will have [the] opportunity to tour [the] Cloisters.
Art students will [be] required to keep a journ[al of] their personal experien[ces] with emphasis on the cu[ltur]al aspects of the art tour.
Business students will [be] visiting places like W[all] Street, the New York St[ock] Exchange and the Fed[eral] Reserve.
All of the students w[ill be] staying at the Vande[rbilt] YMCA, which is a [long] standing tradition, L[amb] said.



Jennifer Williams/Staff Photographer
Jesse Rademacher and Jimmy Jones work on constructing part of the set for Pirates of Penzance, which debuts tonight at Ackerman Auditorium

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Lifestyles

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Calendar of local events for 11.16-11.22

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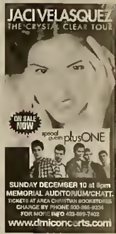


Tree hugger?

By Ghost Writer IGF

I love when I turn on the al news and the crack uad of motivated detectes are reporting on a nd of "tree huggers" that risking their bodies for good of an Oak Tree mediately the environntal community is lled a collection of loons ose only purpose is to upy rocking chairs and eternal scenes of "One w Over the Cookoo's st" in their own psytic reality. Is this really to all of us who are realconcerned about our ironment? It seems, as if good majority of folks ven't stepped foot out of ir luxurious homes and ked the terrifying reality is unairconditioned ure. When was the last e your feet felt someng besides asphalt and ir lungs actually had the portunity to breathe air wasn't produced by an V, a chemical plant, or a cigarette? Maybe it has been too long

The Tennessee Valley Area is one of the most beautiful areas in the world Everyone needs to first realize how amazing the surrounding environment is in Tennessee and then step back and ask· How long will this environmental marvel be in existence? The answer to such a question may lie in the hands of corporations like Bowater and others who practice deforestation of the world's natural wood supply. Is this really the most efficient way to provide the masses with paper?

Paper suppliers will clear cut these wonderful natural settings leaving nothing but mud or rich topsoil that eventually makes its way into the Tennessee River. The wonderful forests of Tennessee are then replanted with the most hideous tree man knows. pine. Pine trees do not provide organisms and the ecosystem with enough nutrients and shelter to live a natural life. These pines are replanted because they are easier to harvest and grow faster than alternate trees.

The best alternative to this destruction of our forests is illegal and is known as industrial hemp. Why is industrial hemp illegal? One would die from carbon monoxide poisoning before getting high from smoking hemp, but it is still illegal to grow in the United States. Farmers could at least double their profit by growing hemp when compared to tobacco Isn't tobacco a proven killer? Hemp is possibly the most diverse plant known to man. The Declaration of Independence was printed on hemp paper. Hemp can be used as a food source, in clothes, in paper production and has thousands of other uses. Another great characteristic of hemp is that it requires no pesticides, which not only appeals to environmentalists, but also is lucrative to farmers. Hemp is a close relative to marijuana, but contains almost no THC (the chemical that creates a "high"). Hemp and marijuana are also grown in two different methods, which allows relative ease in distinguishing one from the other. Hemp is simply not marijuana.

The solution to the loss of our beautiful forests in Tennessee and throughout the world is simply in the legalization of industrial hemp. Farmers would make more money, environmentalists would stop hugging trees, and you and I could go on a hike through forests not entirely composed on those heinous pine trees So, go hug a tree and back the legalization of industrial hemp.

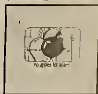
send thoughts & comments to *aaronaround@yahoo.com*

Booley: Bathroom Floor

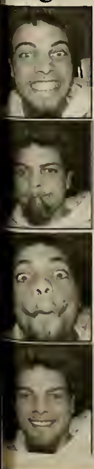
There's a reason why Booley has shared the stage with Delirious?, the hottest band of Christians in the UK, and with 80s glam-band Duran Duran Booley can play Brit-pop songs with the best of them. This full-length US debut, packed with melodic electric guitars, full drums and bass, and sing-along choruses, will remind you just how incredibly enjoyable pop-rock can be. What may surprise you is the lyrical content of the songs. There are a couple of sweet love songs, but others deal honestly with spiritual pain, fears of inadequacy, national politics, and disillusionment with a fallen pastor *Recommended for fans of: Crowded House, Delirious?, Ben Folds Five, The Beatles, Weezer*

No Apples for Adam: No Apples for Adam

This impressive foursome barges onto the scene with punchy electric guitars and mellow vocals characterizing their self-titled debut. Fans of Jars of Clay will be startled and dazzled alike by lead singer, Micah Watson, whose voice is strikingly similar to that of Jars' frontman, Dan Haseltine. Scratchy ballads intermingle with smooth, jazzy cuts, a Spanish-flavored number, and a memorable cover of the time-honored hymn"Amazing Grace", creating a sound that promises to turn heads and gain wide spread recognition. *Recommended for fans of: Jars Of Clay, Five O'Clock People Sting*



Singles of the week "Curing 'singlitis' one life at a time"



Scott Parker, 21Public Relations/Biology minor

If Talge Hall caught on fire and your room was burning up, what would you grab first?

"My nude photographs of all my ex-girlfriends...but seriously, my photograph album."

How does someone go about joining the Scott Parker Fan Club?

"You need to speak with Andrew Massengill, the president. He can be reached at 238.3052"

What was your favorite thing to do as a kid?

"Swimming in the pool."

What do you look for in a woman?

"I have three criteria for a girl: loves God, loves me, loves the outdoors."

When was the last time you went out on a "date"?.

"It's been about 21 years...a really long time. Poor me."

Describe your perfect date.

"Something simple. A picnic on top of a hill, watching the sunset."

When was the last time you left the country, and for what reason?

"I went to Honduras in August 2000 to work at an orphanage. I love mission work, and I love traveling."

What is the most insane thing you have ever done?

"I went skydiving in Chile. That's in South America."

What were you doing in South America?

"I was an English professor at Universidad Peruana Union. That's in Peru. That's in So South America."

When it comes to dating, who should do the asking out?

"My mother, she always seems to know who's "soo cute". I think the guy should, but the girl needs to say "YES!!!" and not expect that just because I'm asking her out that I am interested in an "intense" relationship with her, I just want to get to know her."

If you were stranded on a deserted island, what 3 items would you want to have?

"Is a woman an item? A Bible, a knife, and matches...because cold rats don't taste too good."

If you were described in a song, what would you be?

"It's gonna be me by N'SYNC."

What are your plans for Thanksgiving break?

"Depends on whether or not the cafe is serving Thanksgiving dinner...I'm up for suggestions, give me a call (238.3362) or email me (smparker@southern.edu)"

Heidi Roberts, 19, Ice Sculpture/Macrame

What do you look for in a friend?

"Hmm, well, basically I look for someone i can use as a crutch. If they actually have crutches, that's even better."

What about qualities in a guy?

"He must have a bent propensity towards procrastination and sloth."

Who do you think should do the asking out for a date?

"The father of the girl should ask the young man that they find suitable."

What sorts of things do you occupy your time with when you aren't in school?

"I work as a sky chef at Chattanooga Aeroport. Then on the side I pursue my career in toll-boothing."

What do you notice first about someone when you meet them?

"Teeth. Their large canines."

What would you do if you had a stalker?

"I would most certainly stalk them back!"

What is your best asset?

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Technology

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Battle of the PDAs

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

This isn't another article on public displays of affection. Having said that, I should tell you that PDA also stands for Personal Digital Assistant and refers to some type of device that helps you organize your life digitally. Most people know these as a Palm or Visor, which uses the Palm operating system. Other types include PocketPC devices that run a version of Windows and also those organizers you see in electronics stores with keypads that you couldn't type on with your pinky finger.

CNET.com has tested the current PDAs and compiled a list of the top five handhelds without keyboards and listed the advantages and disadvantages of each one. Coming in first place is the Palm IIIxe, which was just recently released by Palm. It features an updated OS and flash ROM (which lets you further upgrade the OS as new versions are released) as well as a better display than its III ancestors do. While the IIIxe is not the most advanced of the Palms, it's considered the best buy because of its low price and sufficient technology.

The Palm IIIe comes in second place, with its very low price and reliable technology. The downsides are that it doesn't have flash ROM or an expansion slot.

The PalmVx took third place, due to its sleek design. Other than that neat-o silver faceplate, it has similar features to the PalmIIxe.

Handspring's Visor Deluxe follows these three worthy competitors. The Visor Deluxe's secret weapon is its expansion slot. This allows a user to add a component to the Visor at any time, thus increasing its functionality. Popular components include an MP3 player, digital camera, cellular phone, modem, extra RAM and other very useful items. Only one may be connected at a time. While this sounds promising, the potential is as yet unrealized. Visor add-ons were slow in coming out, thus dampening the initial impact of such a feature. Handspring and Palm are competing fiercely for dominion over the PDA world.

Finally PocketPC makes and appearance with Compaq's iPaq H3650. While Compaq has tried to compensate for them, the operating system's built-in flaws cause the PDA to slow to a crawl after opening a couple of applications. Heaviness and high costs also plague the iPaq.

What's the conclusion? Buy the best PDA for you (surprise, surprise). If you are considering purchasing a PDA of some type in the near future, hopefully the information provided here has helped you decide what your needs are and which you need.

Legal MP3s all the way

By Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

With all the talk about voting and such, it might be scary to read about yet another thing to be chosen. Hang in there.

Secure Digital Music Initiative (SDMI), a music and technology forum, opened a contest to test five possible copyright protection technologies.

The contest challenges anyone interested to "hack" one or all of the given technologies. A successful hack involves removing or altering the security system from a music file without significantly degrading the quality of the music contained within.

The contest has been going on since February with 447 entries in two phases. The first round ended on October 7, and the second phase is to determine if the submissions are repeatable on music.

So far SDMI has announced successful hacks of two of the technologies, though they claim that only one of them was significant because it could be repeated on other music.

One of the most popular forms of copyright protection involves "watermarking" which leaves a trace in each file that identifies it. The trick for the hackers is to remove the watermark without damaging the music quality.

There have been some complaints by various participants in the contest. Members of Princeton, Rice and Xerox teams feel that their solutions may not have been considered while others claim that the contest did not provide the same amount of details that would be available in real life, thus restricting participants.

SDMI is formed by over 200 record companies [illegible] have an interest in keep[illegible] the rights to music "secu[illegible]" They say the results fr[illegible] this contest have help[illegible] them get an idea of wh[illegible] solutions are practical in [illegible] real world.

One of the record com[illegible]nies involved in SDMI, B[illegible]telsmann, has alre[illegible] formed an alliance with [illegible]ster and is encouraging [illegible] fellow members to do [illegible] same. These companies [illegible] the potential in digital mu[illegible] but are not willing to pur[illegible] it without the ability to [illegible]nate piracy - and [illegible] remains to be seen.

Best and worst of the we[illegible]

By Jesse Walters
Guest Writer

The Good Site
http://www.3dfx.com/

3dfx is a company that is world renowned for their high quality and fast graphics cards that are used in many popular computer systems like Compaq, Gateway and Dell. So one could expect 3dfx's site to be good. It is. Their site is very easy to navigate and use to find the information you are looking for. For example, you may want to find the updated drivers for your 3dfx graphics card you have had for a while and won't run that new game you got (we don't play games here at Southern do we?). Their site is moderately fast to appear on your screen even with a slow 56K modem, much less an even faster connection through Ethernet. The graphics they have scattered throughout the site aren't ghastly like some sites, and the colors are quite eye pleasing. Overall, if you are interested in games or computer hardware you might want to check this site out.

The Bad Site
http://www.kmart.com/

I think everybody knows what K-mart is so I won't describe it. To begin with, their main page is kinda slow to appear on the screen because of so many graphics, but that isn't the worst part. When it is fully loaded there is a riotous rainbow of colors assaulting your eyes.

When you are searching for something to buy for example "The Saint" for DVD, the first thing you would do is click on "books, movies, & videos". Then you wait for more large graphics load up which don't r[illegible] need to be there in the [illegible] place (they don't even s[illegible] the whole object the gra[illegible] is about). Next you click [illegible] the DVD category, [illegible] loads up, then you search [illegible] "The Saint."

You would expect to [illegible] search the DVD categ[illegible] since that is where you [illegible] but they search their wh[illegible] site and give you lots [illegible] extra things you aren't lo[illegible]ing for...the first of which [illegible] $99.99 St. Pierre Tou[illegible]ment Series Bocce se[illegible] don't think so.

Catch the bug

By Jimmy Obomsawin
Staff Writer

I often search the Internet for new and ingenious programs, and I love to share my findings. My most recent newfound freeware toy is WeatherBug from www.weatherbug.com. WeatherBug sits in the system tray next to the time telling you the current outdoor temperature, updating continually from Automated Weather Source's vast network of Internet connected weather stations.

The features

Clicking on the digital thermometer icon will load up the full-window version, displaying the current wind direction and speed, humidity, dew point, wind chill factor, barometer and measure of rain. WeatherBug also gives you a quick two-day forecast and sunrise/sunset times. On the right side are several links that will load a current web cam image from the weather station, radar images and a few more options.

One day when we had inclement weather, the temperature icon began blinking. Clicking it revealed that there was flooding in Hamilton County as well as a tornado warning. That's a nice feature for someone who spends a lot of time on the Internet and rarely listens to local radio.

Pros

- Simple interface
- Easy to set up
- Very informative
- Fast, at least on my computer
- Extensive network of weather stations. There are more than a dozen stations within thirty miles of Collegedale to choose from.
- Free!

Cons

- Too many ad banners. They had two on the top of the window and two on the bottom.
- Large download. 3.16 megabytes seems a bit steep for a program that is this simple. It's not a serious problem, but enough to make a complaint.
- Difficult to temporarily change the location you want to monitor.
- Only runs in Microsoft Windows 95, NT, or higher. Sorry Mac and penguin fans.
- Not very useful with a dial-up connection

The verdict

This is one of the most useful programs I have seen in a long time. I usually end up getting rid of software that puts icons in the system tray, but this is a utility that I don't mind giving that precious real-estate to. I would recommend this software to anyone who has a few extra megabytes of RAM to spare and an always-on Internet connection.

Ezonics revolutionizes Internet chatting with world's first Internet video phone cam

Hot new gizmo resembles cell phone, makes video chatting eas[illegible]

PLEASANTON, Calif.–(BUSINESS WIRE via COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE)–Nov. 6, 2000–The future of personal communication has arrived at major retail outlets. Ezonics Corporation (www.ezonics.com) announced today.

The fun, cool, easy-to-use EZPhone Cam makes video chatting over the Internet as EZ as using a telephone, and connecting it to a PC system no more difficult than plugging a phone into a jack.

The EZPhone Cam is a great new way for college students, parents, friends and family to stay connected. Its fluent translation of new technology from geek-speak into a consumer-friendly, useful gadget demonstrates many of the design principles that made the Ezonics EZDual Cam the market leader and a PC Magazine "Editor's Choice" earlier this year.

"I don't video conference with my family, I chat with them. This is an evolutionary solution that revolutionizes communications," said Ping Liu, founder and CEO of Ezonics Corporation. "We are allowing everyday consumers to reach out to loved ones through real-time video chats using a familiar product that looks just like a cordless telephone. Once people experience the spontaneity and fun of video chatting, the old desktop phone will seem old-fashioned."

The EZPhone Cam looks like a consumer-friendly cell phone, right down to an audible "ring" and a stubby "antenna" that flashes when someone requests a video chat. It takes only a single press of a button to answer an incoming call.

EZPhone Cam hooks up through a plug-in USB port with no add-in card or rebooting required. It comes with EZBuddy List software that shows snapshots of people who are in the user's phone list – in color if they are online, in black and white if they are not. Making a call is as easy as clicking on the desired color image.

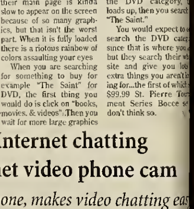
The user can also create a message and save it as an executable file with full motion video and audio, and send it as an attachment through email. The recipient double-clicks the attachment from inside their email program to see the full message, almost like a live conversation. Or the EZPhone Cam user can take a still picture with one press of the button and attach it to email messages, print it, turn it into a card or calendar, or even enhance the photo with special effects.

Technical Details

The Twain-complaint EZPhone Cam uses a 320,000 pixel CMOS that delivers a VGA image at 640 x 480 pixels or various lower resolutions, in 24-bit color at up to 30 frames per second. The manual focus lens brings in a sharp image from 10 cm to infinite distance, delivering it to the PC through a 2.0 meter USB cable. Software "buttons" control the shutter, change video modes and adjust for contrast and brightness. Programs bundled with the camera include EZ Video Chat, Greeting Cam Deluxe, and an EZ Suite interface, all from Ezonics. In addition, the device comes with Live Express Video Panel, Composer, Live Monitor, and Snapshot from Live Express, and iPhoto Express 3.0 from Ulead. The camera is compatible with Windows 98, Windows ME and Windows 2000.

Pricing and Availability

The EZPhone Cam is available through major retail outlets including Best Buy, CompUSA, Office Depot and Fry's Electronics at a manufacturer's suggested price of $119.99. It is also available online through Amazon.com and RadioShack.com. To inquire about distribution, please contact Michael Ostwind at mostwind@ezonics.com



About Ezonics

Founded in January 1998, Ezonics Corporation makes high-tech products of exceptional value that are fun and easy to use. By leveraging superb Asian hardware and software design and manufacturing capabilities, Ezonics is able to provide consumers with the best-performing, best-priced products on the market. From the company's initial product, the PalmZIP PCMCIA, a ZIP-compatible drive for notebook computers, E[illegible]ics has offered a variety [illegible] best-value products thro[illegible] major distributors. Ez[illegible] produces the complete [illegible] of EZCam USB PC [illegible] cameras, including the b[illegible] selling EZCam USB and [illegible] EZPhone Cam – the [illegible] quality, best value PC [illegible] camera on the market. C[illegible]mitted to making video [illegible] even easier and more [illegible]ing, Ezonics is devel[illegible] other electronic products [illegible] make high-tech life as E[illegible] 1-2-3. The company is [illegible]ed at 5870 Stoneridge [illegible] Suite 4, Pleasanton [illegible] 94588. To learn more [illegible] Ezonics, visit the comp[illegible] Web site at http//www.[illegible]ics.com.

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Switchouse leads the new trend of online swapping

Largest swap site offers college students a fast, easy and free way to get entertainment goods online

SAN FRANCISCO–(BUSINESS WIRE via COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE)–Nov. 6, 2000–Tired of watching your old copy of "Braveheart?" Want the new "Crazy Taxi" game for your Dreamcast?

Rather than shoving your old stuff aside and spending more money - why not swap? At Switchouse, more than a thousand people want "Braveheart" and even more copies of "Crazy Taxi" are available.

Switchouse, the largest online swap site, lets you trade the stuff you have for the stuff you want - FOR FREE! The site allows users to trade items in popular entertainment categories music, video games, movies, books, hardware, software and electronics. With over two million items listed for swapping, it's easy to find matches and get what you want. No need to worry about safety - all swaps are guaranteed and there's a great peer-to-peer rating system that gives you the scoop on who you're swapping with.

At Switchouse, what's hot and what's not is all relative.

Here's a snap shot of the latest:

– 113 - the number of countries worldwide that have Switchouse members

– 563 - the number of copies of "The Sims" computer game that changed hands in the past 2 months. Twice as many copies of Britney Spears' "Oops I Did It Again" have been swapped vs. Christina's self-titled CD

– 812 - the must swaps completed by a Switchouse member (so far..)

– 8,088 - the most miles traveled by a Switchouse item (between United Arab Emirates and San Francisco)

Check out www.switchouse.com and see how cash is no longer king-all your old stuff can be virtual currency to get what you want.

If you would like to write for the Technology page, email jcwasmer@southern.edu or kapulfer@southern.edu.

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Sports
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Championship game scores

Championship
Dunkel 20 vs. Watson 7
Before the game both
ms were anxious to start.
yc Brown said, "It's a
n game and I'm going to
what I can to help them."
yc couldn't have been
e right; it is a team game
d that is how both of these
ms play. Ryan, I mean
on Appel, has been
cading the ball around all
son and has managed to
p the defense guessing
m Watson is the same
y. Matt Nalle also does a
at job of spreading the
ll around and finding his
ceivers. Bryce Reading,
o is an the unsung hero of
e team, felt that his team
s a great chance of win-
g. "Our game plan main-
y to stop Derek [Nutt]
d [Jeff] Bodillo," he said.
John Appel's mindset
ge onto this game was
ecially that they were
ing to take whatever the
er team offered them.
e Dunkel before the
me was clam. Eric is prob-
y the first flag pulter at
school and when asked
ether team Watson would
e toward him, he said,
ey are definitely going to
y away from me."
This will be the second
e that these two teams
e played each other, and
en Chad Watkins was
ed if their game plan
uld change he said, "Well,
ink we are a better team
then we were when we
e played them, so we'll
probably stick with the same
game plan." As an observer
Emily Dunkel, Eric's wife,
said, "There is no pressure.
Eric is just going to spank
them, and that's about it."

To start out the game,
Team Dunkel used a time
consuming drive capped off
by John Appel running in
the ball for the first score of
the game. It may have not
been the prettiest drive, but
they got the score but no
extra point.

When Team Watson took
control on their 10-yard line
and they needed to score,
Matt Nalle found Bryce
Reading and Randy Moore
on two quick gains. Then
when they got to the 50,
Nalle dropped back to pass.
Mark Dietrich was coming
hard and he and Bryce got
mixed up and fell down. On
the play Nalle found Royce
on the back of the end zone
for the score. Mark Dietrich
was called for an illegal
rush, and Team Watson
declined and got the extra
point to put them up 7-6.

Team Dunkel knew that
they needed to score and
did. John Appel found Derek
Nutt who found the end
zone to put them up 13-7.
Watson failed to do anything
on their next driver and had
to turn it over, but the
defense stepped up and
stopped Dunkel to get the
ball back. Watson drove to
mid-field and threw a quick
pass in that was almost
picked off by Derek Nutt.
On the very next play, they
did the same thing, but this
time Derek picked it off and
ran it back for a touchdown.

That was all Dunkel need-
ed to win the game and the
championship. After the
game, Dunkel said, "We did-
n't play our best, but we
played awesome on defense
and that's what wins it for
us."

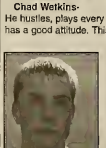
Championship
Packers 27 vs. Stagg 13
The score was 7-6 (Bar-
rett scoring for Stagg and
Bell scoring for the Packers)
to start the second half and
Stagg had the ball deep in
their own territory that's
when it happened, when the
ball was snapped, it went
over the quarterback's head
and turned into a safety.
"That changed the momentu-
tum of the game," Bob
Benge, one of the reds of the
game, said. The score was
then 8-7, and that's when the
Packers went on a run and
scored three touchdowns,
coming from Bell, and
McCormack. All this hap-
pened before Stagg scored
another touchdown in the
closing minutes of the game.
Michael Bell had a big
game, scoring three touch-
downs. After the game A.J.
Stagg said, "I don't know
what happened I thought
we were going to win." It just
goes to show that when you
watch a Southern football
game, you don't know what
is going to happen next.

Championship
Jones 18 vs. Morris 16
At first, this game did not
look as close as the score
displays. In the first half, it
was all Team Jones, scoring
18 points and holding Team
Morris to zero. Donnie
Miller played quarterback
and ran the ball into the end
zone twice and found Josh
Towasend for another score.
When Jones had the ball,
Donnie threw a touchdown
pass that was called back
because of an illegal screen
block. "That's when the
momentum swung to Mor-
ris' team and Jones allowed
them two quick scores, by
Brad Morris and Allen Nelli-
son, and they also converted
on both two-point conversi-
ons," Benge said. Morris'
strategy was questionable,
they called two time-outs in
the beginning of the second
half, so when they needed
them in the end, they didn't
have them and the time just
ran out. When asked how
the game went, Donnie
Miller said, "It went pretty
smooth, we got up 16 to
nothing pretty quickly, and
then our offense kind of
stalled, but we stayed with it
and our defense prevailed.
We're just glad to get the win
and be Champions." When
Miller was asked about
being undefeated and their
game plan, he said, "Our
game plan didn't really
change, we just wanted to
play like we have all season
and run up the score, and
that's what we did."

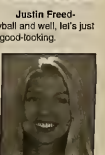
Best looking athletes

Benjie Maxson-
Even though he is married, he can still shake it.

Amber Flechas-
She gracefully runs, end sassyfies the field.

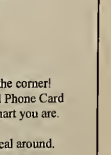


Chad Watkins-
He hustles, plays every sport known to man and has a good attitude. This man is "The Chad."



Justin Freed-
He tries to play volleyball and well, let's just say he is good-looking.

Donnie Miller-
He wore an Akili Smith Jersey that was really ugly, but he was able to shine through that and lead his team to a championship victory.



Just try to spike when she is on the front line. **Amy Slagle-**

Volleyball game scores

Nutt 2 vs. Nelson D
One game, TJ. Knutson.
This guy is a beast. He
spikes with such authority
and is on a great team. This
is the team that I predict will
win it all, I'm sorry but I didn't
get to see much of this
game because I was playing
at the same time, but the
glimpses I saw were DJ
McCraine setting TJ, and a
huge spike, then DJ setting
Derek Nutt for another
huge spike. That's the way it
pretty much went for the
night.

Aitken 2 vs. Johnson 0
Team Johnson was missing
two of its better players,
and Aitken took advantage
of it. I wasn't even close;
they pretty much had their
way with team Johnson, and
dominated from start to fin-
ish. Most of the highlights
came from Zach Pratt. You
know the game is dull when
the highlights come from
Zach.

I'm sorry, but team John-
son didn't even make a
game of it. But hopefully the
rest of their team will show
up next time they play,
Eddie, Boyer, Benny. I'm
talking to you.

Quote of the Week

"I'm a free agent and tak-
ing the best offers,
because volleyball is my
game."

-Shelly Dubosque on why
she didn't sign up for vol-
leyball.

Monday conversations with Yvette Saliba

**Did you ever play little
ague sports?**
Yes, I played softball and
y much debating on
ich team would get to
e first. I played the most
portant position-far left
d.

**What sport are you
st at?**
My best sport is bad-
nton. I like this sport
cause you can hit the
ttle hard as you want
It hardly goes anywhere.
ing kind floats over the
. It's a very delicate sport
a robust sort of way. In
ich I keep hitting the ten-
ball over the fence.

**What sport besides the
es you play here should
an intramural and
y?**
Badminton. It's my
vorite sport!

**Have you ever had any
uries?**
No, I have never injured
self. The way I position
self keeps me safe. I'm
always very careful to avoid
falling or running into
things. In softball, I'm very
particular about which balls
I catch, not too fast or curvy.
In football I make sure the
flags are readily available
and in basketball I position
myself closer to the bench.

**What do you want to be
when you grow up?**
I'd like to be a profession-
al quarterback. I'm pretty
confident when it comes to
making up plays. I think I
could really throw people off
with my ideas.

**If you could go out to
eat with one person in the
world who would it be
and why?**
Willie Mayes. My P.E.
teacher once told me that I
caught a softball just like
him. It was an accident too. I
was chatting with a friend in
outfield, and I had my arms
crossed with my mitt just
kind of hanging there, and
all of a sudden, the ball flew
smack into my mitt. I just
kind of looked at the ball and
then squeezed the mitt shut
and held it up in the air like
they do on TV.

**If you had one wish,
what would it be?**
I would wish that I could
take some of my badminton
fury and carry it over to
other sports activities.

**Would you ever eat a
person to survive?**
No, whom would I have to
play sports with?

**What is one thing you
like about Southern?**
I like how Southern has
so many outlets for increas-
ing your athletic skills. They
help to grow as athletes and
it's rewarding.

**Why don't you play
more sports here?**
I don't play because I am
a viciously competitive per-
son and I'd like to curb that,
so I've decided to not play so
much. If I did play more I
would turn into the "Incredib-
le Hulk," angry and mean.

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EDITORIALS

Democratic or decayed?

All eyes are focused on America as this country muddles through the most complex and confusing election in 224 years of United States history. Both domestic and foreign voices are raised in a spectrum of opinions. Non-democratic nations in particular are watching the proceedings, analyzing every nuance in every new development. What do these events really say to the world? Is democracy stumbling over this unexpected trial as some are suggesting?

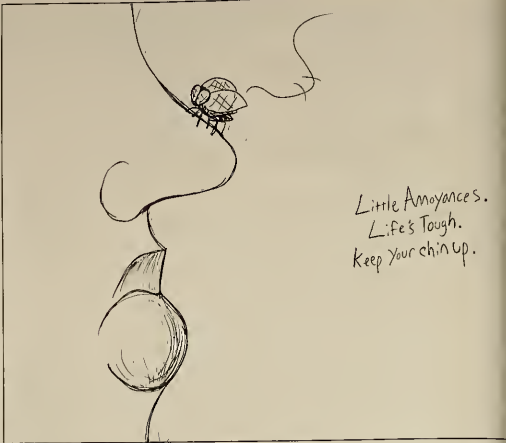
The answer is a resounding no. Many are asking the same question. When an election heats up and emotions are high on both sides, how will the American form of government perform? The answer will almost definitely be with flying colors

Two very powerful and wealthy men with influential backers and huge numbers of enthusiastic supporters are in a deadlocked battle for the highest position in the country. This provides a potentially volatile situation, and in many countries a recipe for violenre and chaos. But in America the democratic process is prevailing, and the solution to our dilemma will be reached through extreme caution in the carrying out of the will of the people. While both candidates seem to have their own well being at heart rather than the best interest of the country, the people will still prevail.

No protestors are yielding weapons, no blood has been shed over the close dispute. Neither party is threatening to seize power by force, no one has called out the National Guard. When the votes are finally all counted and the winner takes power, members of the opposing party will not be executed or even persecuted. The ordinary citizens of America are the ultimate power in the struggle over the Presidency of this great nation.

While many people—roughly half of the population, in fact—will initially not be pleased with the outcome of this election, democracy will still have prevailed. Errors in the current process will have been revealed and the system will be revised to accommodate our new knowledge of possible problems and how to prevent them. But any change to the system will move closer to the rule of the American citizen, not farther from it.

As President Clinton said, this election has proven that every vote does count. The people will still hold the power no matter how this saga ends. Power will transfer without bloodshed from one leader to the next and this great nation will continue in its role as a free and democratic world leader.

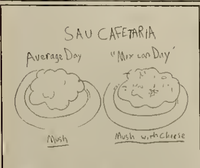


In support of (fake) chicken gravy

It has come to the attention of the Accent that brown gravy is served much more often than chicken gravy in the cafeteria. Boxed mashed potatoes are not the most delectable food available in our illustrious cafe, but they are made much more palatable with a generous dousing of yellow pseudo-chicken-flavored sauce.

The consensus among at least one table of students in the cafeteria on Tuesday afternoon was that chicken gravy made a meal more appealing and edible than one served with brown gravy. In fact, research has shown that even Don Chaffer of the band Waterdeep—a small Christian group whose most recent Squint Entertainment release is available at grassrootsmusic.com—prefers white gravy to brown.

Not only would serving chicken gravy more often make those mashed potatoes much more desirable, it would make many students a little happier and maybe even brighten the whole day for many of them. So go ahead chef, bring on the veggie-chicken flavoring and give us that yellow gravy next time.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:
TOP TEN
Things to Cut Out of the Accent

10. Articles/clips from other schools' newspapers (though I'm sure these are relevant to the people attending those schools).

9. National news articles. (Newsweek, USA Today, and CNN seem to have it pretty well covered.)

8. Articles that nobody cares about (i.e. the acne article, half the technology section, the pms article, that oh-so-newsworthy cover story about David Leonard's sleep apnea, the multiple articles about SA bikes, "smoking causes depression," etc. etc. etc.)

7. Lewd jokes. (I guess when I picked up the Accent I just wasn't expecting to read about one individual inserting a daffodil into another individual's rectum That's crude.)

6. All the singles' garbage. (Singles this, singles that....Singlitis is not a disease, so please don't try to cure it.)

5. Email forwards. (Please, people, that state slogan thing has been around.)

4. Articles about PDA in front of Thatcher. (We KNOW already!)

3. Half the opinion page. (Sad fact of life #3408: we all have unique political and religious opinions, and we don't really care about each other's enough to read a whole section of them each week. I would like to note that I'm really happy for all those people who have had that wonderful epiphany about the important things in life, but after awhile, their articles all start sounding the same.)

2. Nonoriginal articles, i.e. those from miscellaneous doctors, theologians, politicians, hair stylists or mountaintop gurus.

1. Multiple Top Ten Lists per issue! One word: overkill.

Denise Edwards
Junior biology major

Eyes and ears

Causing casual anarchy and giving popcorn advice.

One color printer (to print posters): $450

One roll of sticky tape (to hang up posters): $3

Mimicking a well-known credit card ad: Free

Creating a unique advertisement: Priceless.

There are some things you can't buy. For everything else, there's imitation.

Come 'on, Chaplain Office. Great web site. Redundant advertising. A spoof is funny the first time (thank you, Ralph Nader) but not necessarily the fourth time.

Speaking of spoofs, there's Election 2000. Who will it be? Never one to ignore a tried-and-tested method—the faculty interview—I walk toward Wright Hall, determined to find an answer to this perplexing political problem: Bush or Gore?

No one but a president would know who would win the presidency.

So what does Gordon Bietz, president of Southern Adventist University, predict?

He laughs at my question before replying, "I think Bush will win."

President Gordon Bietz, did you, in fact, vote for Bush?

"Yes I did, actually," he replies

There you have it. Bush will win.

After my interview, I walk to the conference center. There, in the Thatcher Hall parking lot, is a boy's car, complete with green hang tag. Aww. He has one...no, TWO tickets on his windshield. Hmm. Is this the usual procedure? I wonder

I peek at his tickets: one was issued at 7:15 a.m. and the other at...9:22 a.m....on the same day? Alas, officers #173 and #5 gave him two separate tickets on the same morning.

With a look of empathy, I continue walking and see another car in the same parking lot. There is no hang tag in this car. There is also no ticket. Hmm.

Two tickets on one car and no tickets on another car, both in the same parking lot? Does Campus Safety have an explanation for this?

And what explanation is there for those dorm fire alarms? In order to prevent any future fire alarms, I have a few instructions. Refer to this when needed.

When you put popcorn in the microwave, please 1) press the button named "Popcorn" (If there is no "Popcorn" button, please stand by and watch your popcorn pop until it has finished popping, or let it sit for two to three minutes). Then 2) remove from microwave and eat. Do not leave popcorn alone or overestimate the time it will take to pop the popcorn. If you lack knowledge in microwave skills, learn them.

Fortunately, Thanksgiving vacation is quickly arriving. Read: No more 1 a.m. fire alarms for two weeks.

Are you ever hungry between fire alarms, or, in any case, between meals? The secret to a satisfying snack life is to visit every receptionist and secretary on campus, where there is a surplus amount of sweets. Packed and ready for Thanksgiving? Is the cafeteria closed? The Journalism and Communications secretary serves candy corn, especially for all those holiday events

Ah, Southern hospitality indeed.

Election 2000 yields a likely indecisive U.S. Congress

(U-WIRE) EAST LANSING, Mich. – As walls are stripped of their bunting and wire-framed signs pulled from the grass in yards of American voters, the country can reflect on Election Day.

Regardless of whether Texas Gov. George W. Bush or Vice President Al Gore claim more than 270 electoral votes in what could be the country's closest presidential race ever, the next president will be challenged with the 107th U.S. Congress, which is split nearly equally between Democrats and Republicans in both the U.S. House and Senate

By putting two more party members in the House and three in the Senate, Democrats could be considered the winners in the 2000 election. Democrats are very close to closing the GOP gap and taking control of Congress

The battleground state of Michigan played an important role in shaping Congress by electing challengers in key seats during an election year that favored incumbents. Voters elected Democrat U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow to the U.S. Senate. Stabenow defeated one-term Republican Sen. Spence Abraham. The GOP picked up representation in the U.S. House with voters electing Republican state Sen. Mike Rogers over Democratic state Sen. Dianne Byrum in Michigan's 8th Congressional District race.

Unfortunately, American citizens will be the losers in such a divided government unless Congress can obtain bipartisanship. The country is obviously split in political philosophy and this broken voting has trickled into the political makeup of the country's legislative body.

By possibly creating a Senate with 50 Democrats and 50 Republicans and a House with the majority party holding a small nine-seat majority, the country and next president wi[...] subject to a greater ch[...] of political gridlock if p[...]sanship reigns.

Bipartisan legislation[...] compromise will be the [...] means by which the gov[...]ment will effectively [...] measures. Both parties [...] different approaches [...] handling important is[...] such as Social Securit[...] cuts, the federal surplus[...] prescription drug costs[...] of which need imme[...] attention.

The next Congress [...] feel overwhelming pres[...] from Americans to re[...] such issues. Also, the c[...]try will look to the legis[...] branch as the most d[...]nant part of govern[...] because of a shado[...] doubt and lack of legiti[...] cast over the presidency[...]

Americans need a [...]cal system in which la[...]ers are able to push n[...]sary measures through [...] reasonable pace, but n[...] overly slow one. Alth[...] gridlock forces dia[...] between parties, it mu[...] interfere with giving c[...] needed programs and [...]vices.

As the last yard s[...] tossed "into the trash [...] owner will remembe[...] 2000 election for the tu[...] surrounding the pres[...]tial election, not for its [...]gressional harvest. H[...]er, whether Bush or G[...] elected to the White H[...] the next president's [...] will be remembered f[...] ability to work with [...] Congress – a task [...] may prove to be as d[...] as it was to become [...] the country's 43rd [...]dent.

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What I earned n D.C.

Cady Van Dolson

It's good to be home.
But I miss D.C.
spent last Thursday and day pushing my way ugh throngs of college lents from across the ntry and Europe, rush- to the many hour-long kshops I selected, only nd up sitting on the floor he back of the room or n standing outside the r, straining to listen to speaker.
here were a lot of peo- here.
nd I had the time of my

ast week I was in Wash- on D.C. at a national lia convention with one ny section editors
spent many hours in ndtable discussions with r newspaper editors, ussing our problems searching for solutions. nd guess what—we all the same struggles.
hose workshops really ired and motivated me, I have so many new s to improve the ent. I can't wait to put m into practice
attended great semi- s on feature and sports ies. In the next couple eeks, I hope we can put e of these ideas into the er, which I feel will ngthen these sections endously.
ut, our newspaper is ady great. I took several ra copies with me and them on the publication change tables When I out of my workshop, ey were all gone.
And the lady who cri- qued the Accent really ed it. She thought that all sections we cover are t and she said she's r before seen a newspa- that devotes an entire e to humor.
really feel good about Accent this year. I've ived lots of feedback, only from people at the lia convention, but from y students. I'm really ted about next semes- I have so many ideas to nd the newspaper and e it more interesting relevant to you.
lease, keep sending in r letters to the editor. don't stop there. Act on r letter and offer to help. y then will your sugges- s make a difference.

ady is a junior English r and the Accent Editor.

ave a com- ent? Send our opinion columns or etters to the editor to nt@southern.edu

The art of procrastination

Harmony Tillerson

"Um . . . I uh . . ."

The worst thing in the world is when you know you sound really dumb.

"I'm sorry, I can't go. I REALLY have to study . . ."

Ok. You feel like a nerd You just turned down ANOTHER opportunity to go downtown and see the Big Three.

You hang up the phone and flop on the bed.

"Arrrgggh! Arrrggghh!!"

This is the sound of a frustrated college student.

You stomp your feet and wish really hard that you had a photographic memory Or a brain like Einstein's.

And that you weren't so darn responsible. You must be the only dorkface who is actually studying for that Marketing quiz. But your little grade printout said you have an 89.9%. That's almost an . . .

Oooh, look at THAT! Yanking up the blinds, you peer out the window

You didn't know HE knew HER! But–whoa–it's pretty obvious they know each other now. Eew. The door opens behind you. It's the roommate! Yay! Company!

You attack her with joy and drag her over to the window for a look. She is satisfactorily disgusted.

You decide you're hungry.

A trip to KR's takes care of that problem. A cinnamon raisin bagel with cream cheese distracts you from homework for a little longer.

You stop in the Carpet-Covered Plywood Playground (the Student Center) to chat with lots and lots of people. The Student Center is like a big, carpety jungle gym. You climb on top of one of the plywood beams...

And suddenly, it hits you. You probably have a disorder of some sort. Why can't you just STUDY?

You aren't downtown with your friends. You are supposed to be studying. Instead, you're climbing the walls in the Student Center with a half-eaten bagel in your mouth.

All those names like ADD and ADHD run through your head. When you return to the small brick cubicle that you call your room, you are relieved when the phone rings.

Mom.

After a long conversation about the cat and the kennel and goodness-knows-what kind-of-parasites it picked up there, you sit down at the computer.

While skimming through the online Joker, you happen to right-click on someone's head. What a neat surprise! You can make his face the background for your computer. Cool!

Turning on the computer the next day and seeing Gordon Bietz's handsome face smiling at you is worth missing the Big Three

As for the quiz . . .

There's always that 10-minute break before class.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

Stranger on the couch

Jolene Harrell

Perhaps in olden days it was common for strangers to knock on doors in my neighborhood. Perhaps salesmen and Girl Scouts and Jehovah's Witnesses were everywhere and living rooms in my town were perpetually open to unknown individuals. But in my experience, it is very rare for strangers to knock on our door. It just doesn't happen much anymore. And it is even less common for strangers to walk into a living room unannounced in the wee hours of the morning and make themselves at home on the couch. But that is exactly what happened one seemingly ordinary day on Abrade Avenue in quiet Port Charlotte, Fla.

My father, because he is so committed to health and fitness and to keeping his youthful figure through middle age, rises at an ungodly hour every morning to sweat and grunt with other wishful middle-aged men at the gym before work. On this morning he forgot to lock the front door on his way out.

My mother was barely awake in her bedroom when I rose to face the day. I padded down the hallway and stumbled into the bathroom, preparing to metamorphosize from a frightening zombie to the fresh-faced high school student I really was. It was in this half-witted moment that I heard the front door slam.

I looked at the bathroom clock in puzzlement. Six was not nearly early enough for my dad to still be at home. A little trail of fear started the ascent up my spine, but I swallowed and boldly stepped out of the bathroom and walked down the hall to conquer my unreasonable fright.

All the lights were off and everything was quiet in our 1970s orange and brown living room, but something wasn't normal. There was a form on the couch, and it didn't look familiar.

At that point the trail of fear became a six-lane highway, and it reached up into my neck and shoulders, causing weakness and a strange trembling sensation. I tiptoed a few more steps closer to the couch. Yes, there was definitely someone on the couch. And what was that around his ankles? No, it couldn't be... But yes it was. The sleeping invader's pants were down around his ankles.

The revelation kicked me into action, and I backed out of the living room, confusion and fear competing in my still-foggy mind.

I slid into my mother's room and as quietly as possible told her there was a man on our couch in his underwear. My mother, who is not laid-back in the most ordinary of circumstances, reacted with a startling display of panic. If her throat was not constricted in fear she likely would have woken the living room usurper

"A man in our living room?"

"Yes, and he's in his underwear."

"You're sure it's not dad."

"Does dad usually sleep on the couch with his pants around his ankles?"

After taking a look around the corner to confirm my story, my mother had the intelligent idea that maybe we should call the police.

The conversation with the dispatcher was a new one for her, I'm sure.

"Yes, we have a man on our couch. No, we don't know who he is. He just walked in the front door a few minutes ago. Oh, and he's in his underwear."

We spent long minutes huddled in the bedroom, trembling and analyzing the situation. A strange man was sleeping on our couch. In his underwear.

Finally the police pulled into the driveway and we watched from the safety of the hallway as they flung open the front door and spotlighted the man in the beams of their Mag Lights.

The lights revealed a skinny teenager. After vigorous shaking and shouting from the brave lawmen, the clearly inebriated stranger stumbled to his feet and stood awkwardly before us all. In his underwear.

My poor mother's emotions welled up in a new display, and she said through her tears that she would not press charges of unlawful entry against "the poor boy" I just wondered what happened to indecent exposure.

Eventually we discovered the boy was the grandson of our neighbors across the street, and the mess was sorted out with great embarrassment on all accounts. It's been several years now, and maybe one or two Jehovah's Witnesses have stood on our doorstep since then. Of course, they knocked first. And thankfully, they weren't in their underwear.

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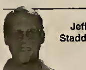
"Mr. Gore, stay with West Palm Beach."



Jeff Staddon

I, and probably the majority of Americans in both political parties, can understand the frustration of voting with a confusing ballot.

With the excitement of election night, strange things can happen I know so myself. In the excitement of voting, using the much simpler (and new) Hamilton County ballots, I myself had to fight the urge to mark the first name I saw—a candidate I definitely wasn't planning on voting for. I sympathize with them.

"Mr Gore, stay with Palm Beach. Win or lose, you'll be a martyr or at least a champion of voter's rights. . .

. . .but, don't go too far."

The news these days bothers me. Here we see Mr. Technology recommending that residents in the same county where people can't follow arrows, should count the ballots by hand.

Are these people going to be more accurate than the machines that have been tested and perfected for one purpose–counting ballots fairly?

And not only is Mr. Technology calling for hand recounts in Palm Beach, but three other counties as well—all Democratic.

After counting ballots for several hours, is any poor cross-eyed soul not going to put a ballot in the wrong pile? I'm afraid Mr. Gore knows this.

I believe in justice. Perhaps justice may not have been done in Palm Beach. But, for justice to be justice, it must be applied to all. Hand counting thousands of ballots only in Democratic strongholds is not justice either

"Mr. Gore, you may have been cheated in Palm Beach. Contest it all the way to the Supreme Court if you must, then accept the outcome But don't match injustice with injustice. Why should you let the Republicans claim a monopoly on character?"

Jeff is a guest columnist. He is a graduate student from Washington.

To know Jesus better

Amber Risinger

If you think the only things in life to think about are movies, dating, shopping, sports and holidays then you are missing so much.

How many of us complain about things in life that really aren't that bad? Do you have the car you want? Some people don't have one at all! Do you have a cold? Someone is dying of pneumonia. Did you just fail your test? Someone just died. You can't go to Australia this summer? Someone just discovered they have cancer. Your boyfriend didn't compliment your hair? Someone just got fired from their job. You have to live in a dorm? Someone is being raped in a back alley. You don't have enough money to go out every other night for dinner? Someone else can't pay their morgage. You have to stay home and study for your exam? Someone wants to go to college but can't afford it. You have to eat mash potatoes and gravy again! Someone just got their heart broken. Maybe we should look at the things we complain about and see if they are really that bad.

Last week wasn't the best week I've ever had, that's for sure. I saw myself becoming very pessimistic. Then at some point I realized that my life really isn't that bad. I have so much to be happy for. It's easy to complain about small things when we have the big (important) things covered. We have someone to love, we have a family who loves us, we are getting an education, which in turn promises us a future. The only thing that can spoil everything is a bad attitude.

Last week I was sent a story about a man who was dying. I won't include all the details just enough to tell the story, okay?

Lets call the man Tad (just for fun). Tad was an old man. He knew that soon he would die. He had spoken to his family and friends and he was ready to go.

His daughter Ann was at his home taking care of him at this time. Ann called for the pastor to come and speak to Tad one evening.

Tad lay in his quiet room not expecting company as the pastor walked in. Tad asked who had sent him. The pastor told him that Ann had.

Politely the Pastor asked if it was okay that he stay and talk for a while. Tad kindly agreed. They talked for awhile reliving life's fond memories and life's challenges as well.

As the pastor was saying good night to Tad he asked why there was a chair next to his bed if he had not been expecting any company.

Tad told the pastor something he'd never told anyone before. Tad said that when he was young he was sharing with a friend how hard it was to pray to Jesus because he couldn't see Him. His friends advice was to pull up a chair when he wanted to pray and let Jesus sit there while he talked. Tad told the pastor that it brought comfort to his life knowing that Jesus was right there with him. The pastor was touched by his desire to really feel God's presence. They prayed together and then said good night.

A short while later Ann called the pastor to let him know that Tad had passed away. Ann said that he looked as though he didn't experience any pain, he simply fell asleep. She continued on by telling the pastor that she was curious about one thing. The pastor listened to her share. Ann said "my father's head was resting on the chair beside his bed. I wonder why."

This week I'm going to pray that we will think about the things that are really important in life. I want to be like this man who wanted to Know Jesus was in the room with Him. If you and I could remember that He is, then we would be much happier. We wouldn't waste time thinking about things that aren't important. We'd pray more for those who have so much less then us, those who have never been introduced to Someone so comforting. .Jesus. I wish I knew Him better, don't you?

How to communicate with men

Daniel Olson

In Paul and Nicole Johnson's video "Vive La Difference", the comical husband-and-wife team performs a dramatic sketch about communication and relationships. Nicole is trying to talk with her husband, but Paul is nestled on the couch, persistent in watching the basketball game on television.

"Honey, we need to talk more," Nicole pleads.

"I think you talk enough," Paul responses in a monotone voice

A problem exists with their communication.

When offering advice about relationships, suggestions are based on stereotypes and generalizations. Genders have a wide spectrum of emotions – an action that angers one man may please another, and while one woman enjoys rambling on the phone, another woman prefers a concise conversation.

Writing about improving communication with men is a risky proposition, as the author wants to avoid a male chauvinistic and sexist demeanor Soliciting for opinions and advice from male friends is also a gamble. The advice offered will hopefully bridge an understanding to better communication with men Remember, advice is a generalization.

Rule One: Do not interrupt men while they are watching sports.

Short of flaunting topless or burning down the house, women will find it difficult to distract men engaged in watching sporting events. Rest assured, men love women more than the Denver Broncos and men value time with their significant other. According to John Gray, author of *Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus*, men experience a release in their mind from the stress of their problems when watching a competitive game as the game allows them to unwind and focus on solving their team's problems. Maybe the man is selfish, but he is preoccupied with his team's problems when his wife mentions their dwindling bank account. Watching sports is an enjoyable relaxation that feeds an appetite for competition, and a man feels successful when his team wins.

So let the man watch quietly. If you need to, ask questions during the commercials. Inquire about the game – men love to demonstrate their so-called knowledge of the game. And root for his team. He will appreciate your understanding and love, and he will be willing to talk later.

Rule Two: Have something meaningful to say.

A stereotype of genders is that women enjoy window-shopping for hours, while men have a "get in, get out" approach – grab the first pair of khakis that fit and leave. Women seem to enjoy a release while shopping similar to men's release with sports. Women like the carefree meandering of browsing, while men view purchases as a challenge.

And those qualities are mirrored in conversations

"Be sure you have a reason for saying something," a male friend advises. The friend enjoys talking on the phone to his girlfriend, but he finds it disturbing when she calls without a reason.

"I have things to do, and sometimes she has nothing to say," he added.

One female friend said that the reason she calls her boyfriend often is because she is thinking of him. The man is flattered. But he is also occupied. While the woman may view the conversation as worthwhile, the man considers the chatter a waste of time.

And when problems arise, the man does not always want to talk right then. While women find relief by expressing their feelings and potential problems, men don't always want to verbalize their concerns during the situation While the man may be willing to listen, he would prefer to sit quietly and talk later, when his stresses are behind him.

Rule Three: Don't presume the man can read your mind.

Let's face it, men can be pretty insensitive sometimes. They unknowingly fail the "strong and sympathetic man" test and say things that hurt a woman's feelings. But men can be helped.

"One of the things that bugs me is when [women] assume I know what is wrong," another male friend said. Sometimes men are oblivious to the obvious And men don't like playing mind games to guess a woman's feelings. Don't walk away and make men wonder. If the woman is mad, she should say so, and then explain why Men would rather listen than guess.

Created by God, men and women are two equal, yet wonderfully different, genders that should cherish and understand their differences. Both genders need effective communication to convey their feelings and emotions – and effective communication starts at the right time and the right place. Women need men, and men need women.

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Humor

Thursday, November 16, 2000

'The Dog' knows best

By Chris Chandler
Guest Writer

Political humor can be awfully hit-or-miss. Satirists love centering it, and people love coming up with their own jabs at polarized candidates. In fact, politics is one of the most widely discussed topics around the nation.

Sometimes the best insights to character can be seen in the political cartoons.

"It was a dark and stormy night, and Scoopy was running for president. The nation could not decide who their leader was to be, so Scoopy raced to the helm and declared himself a winner like a man.

"Behind the big bright moon lay the secret to trusting the people. Forget the popular vote and the electoral college. It's the cool sunglasses, stupid.

"His backup included Charlie Brown in place of Dick Cheney, or rather, for vice president. Marcie for secretary of state (Madeleine Albright's position), and Linus for Secretary of Treasury, as well as Pigpen. Pigpen was voted to be on the team, but because of his unsteady appearance, Scoopy appointed him to be the director of the CIA.

"The other presidential candidates thought it was best for the country. After all, it seemed to be the most peaceful and democratic solution to the problem that had been started by the American people.

"The candidates sat back and enjoyed the sidelines, sipping pina coladas with their friends, families and financial backers, while they knew nobody to blame for the nation's problems, nobody to bite trail lawyers to oppose (have you ever heard of anyone suing a dog?), and none of the pressures that leadership in politics causes.

"The nation was happy. He was the right man for the job. Sure, things would be a little different, but he was the one with whom all the politicians in the Senate and House could work, not to mention the leadership of foreign countries, some of who were just starting to like this new character.

"Scoopy's policies included the rights of all man and animalkind. He promoted the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

"Everybody liked the new president. Everybody liked what he had to say. His words were enclosed in capitols only, and he kept saying some thing like, 'Ooooowwoo, ooooowwooo.'

"No crises were predicted to come, no unrelieved or unmixed behavior either. The economy was in good status, and it looked as though the nation had finally come together.

"Whenever tough decisions came up, he simply baffled them over to his trustworthy staff members.

"You take care of this,' he said to one staff member. 'You take care of that,' he said to another.

"The people sat back and marveled at what masterful leadership he carried out.

"Scoopy loved the job, too. He could not help but do what was best for the country. At times, he basked in the limelight; at other times, he vacationed to his doghouse.

"When reporters felt as though he was avoiding them for comment, the headlines the next day simply read, 'Dog Gone.'

"And Scoopy kept on wriggling."

Top 10 Things heard in senate

By Rob York

10. "Wow, Wehlers is as strict as they say."
9. "So, for future reference, can we impeach you?"
8. "So he's SA president. I thought he'd be taller."
7. "Can we adjourn? It's just gonna get veto'd anyway."
6. "My constitu-whats?"
5. "Now we've got Bietz right where he wants us."
4. "I don't know. I just thought Senate would look good on resume."
3. "Hey guys, lets try to, heh heh, get VCRSs, heh heh heh, allow in the rooms, heh, this year.....I actually thought I could say that wi out laughing."
2. "Paul, what did we just approve?"
1. "This Senate thing is nice. I look forward to dissolving it and c ating my empire."

Indecision 2000

By Rob York
Staff Writer

This was the first year many of us could vote in a presidential election. It was for me. And when it was all said and done, I cast my ballot, and I said to myself, "I did it. I took an active role in my government. I set an example for future generations. I have a voice. And yet there's this emptiness..." This election proved this, yes, your vote makes a difference, if you live in Florida. But many of us weren't too impressed by what we had to choose from. Let's take a look at the candidates. Now I could just tear each of them apart, but I think this calls for thoughtful analysis, detailed conversation, and...six screws. Is, I'll just tear them apart.

I voted for GW Bush. Does that mean I don't have any problems with him? Uh-uh. For example, if he had the exact same platform and credentials, but his name was George W. Smith, would you have voted for him? And besides being governor of Texas, what was his major accomplishment? I guess in some circles, no longer being addicted to crack is an accomplishment.

So why'd I choose him over Gore? Well, there were some superficial reasons. Gore has the personality of a matchstick. If I were a democrat, I wouldn't know whether to vote for him, or use him to light my fireplace. Also, he's say anything to get elected. He said he fought in Vietnam, when in reality he was so well protected that you and I run into more danger every time we assume that station wagon is going to yield to us as we cross to get to the CK. And you want to know why he lost Tennessee? Because those of us who "We dispense with accuracy".

6 In the offices of a beer company "Ask about our plans for owning your home."

5. In a New York mental building. "Mental Health Prevention Center"

10 On a New York convalescent home "For the sick and tired of the Episcopal Church.

11. On a Maine shop: "Our motto is to give our customers the lowest possible prices and workmanship."

12 At a number of military bases "Restricted to uniformed personnel."

13. On a display of "I love you only" Valentine cards: "Now available in multi-packs."

14 In the window of a Kentucky appliance store: "Don't kill your wife. Let our washing machine do the dirty work."

15. In a funeral parlor: "Ask about our layaway plan."

16. In a clothing store: "Wonderful bargains for men with 16 and 17 necks."

17. In a Toronto, Washington men's clothing store: "15 men's wool suits, $10. They won't last an hour."

18. On a shopping mall manger: "Anthony Fantasmo — Eats pizza."

19. Outside a country shop: "We buy junk and sell antiques."

20. In the window of an Oregon store: "Why go elsewhere and be cheated when you can come here?"

21. In a Maine restaurant: "Open 7 days a week and weekends."

22. On a radiator repair garage "Best place to take a leak."

23. In the vestry of a New England church: "Will the last person to leave please see that the perpetual light is extinguished?"

24 In a Pennsylvania cemetery: "Persons are prohibited from picking flowers from any but their own graves."

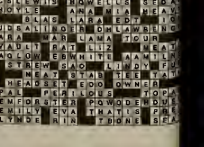
Actual letters recieved by Welfare Department applications for support

1. I am forwarding my marriage certificate and six children. I had seven but one died wh was baptized on a half sheet of paper
2. I am writing the welfare department to say my baby was born 2 years old. When do I my money?
3. Mrs. Jones did not have any clothes for a year and has been visited regularly by the cle
4 I cannot get sick pay, I have six children. Can you tell why?
5 I am glad to report that my husband who is missing is dead
6. This is my eighth child. When are you going to do about it?
7. Please find fee certain of my husband is dead. The man I am living with can't eat or d ural he knows
8 I am very much annoyed to find that you have branded my son illiterate. This is a disg as I was married a week before he was born.
9 In answer to your letter. I gave birth to a boy weighing ten pounds, I hope this is satisfa ry.
10. I am forwarding my marriage certificate and my three children one of which is a nus
11. Unless I get my husband's money penny soon I will be forced to lead an immoral life
12 You have changed my little boy into a girl, will this make any difference?
13 I have no children as my husband is a truck driver and works days and nights.
14. In accordance with your instructions, I have given birth to twins, in the enclosed envel
15 Bill Smith worked for us for six months and when he left we were happy, we hope helps his character.

Top 25 sayings compiled from the Internet

1. At a Santa Fe gas station: "We will sell gasoline to anyone in a glass container."
2. In a New York restaurant. "Customers who consume at our waitresses uncovered ought to see the manager."
3. Do the wall of a Baltimore estate: "Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law — Sisters of Mercy"
4. On a long-established New Mexico dry cleaners "38 years on the same spot."
5. In a Los Angeles dance hall: "Good clean dancing every night but Sunday."
6 In a Phoenix maternity ward "No children allowed."
7. In a New York drugstore:

Answer to Super Crossword



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[In] THE NEWS

[H]o CHI MINH CITY, [Viet]nam — Concluding a [histo]ric visit, President Clin[ton u]rged this communist [natio]n Sunday to open its [econ]omy and allow greater [indiv]idual freedoms, saying [the r]ewards of a free-market [syste]m "should be [embr]aced, not feared." The [first] U.S. president to visit [since] the Vietnam War, Clin[ton d]eclared, "The years of [host]osity are past. Today [we h]ave a shared interest in [your] well-being and your [pros]perity. We have a stake [in y]our future and we wish [to b]e your partners. We [wish] you success."

[JE]RUSALEM — After [seve]n weeks of Mideast [bloo]dshed, Israeli Prime [Mini]ster Ehud Barak and [Pale]stinian leader Yasser [Araf]at aren't on speaking [term]s, but both are speak[ing o]f restraint. Barak said [Sund]ay that Israel didn't [want] to escalate the conflict, [and t]herefore was not plan[ning] to retaliate for the [shoo]ting death of an Israeli [sold]ier. Unrest on Sunday [was] scarce, though still [dead]ly. A 14-year-old Pales[tinia]n boy was killed and six [Pale]stinians injured in a [new] clash in the Gaza Strip, [doct]ors said. Also, an Israeli [diplo]mat suffered minor [woun]ds in a shooting attack [in the] capital of neighboring [Jord]an.

[L]IMA, Peru — Presi[dent] Alberto Fujimori, [whos]e 10-year authoritarian [rule] has crumbled in recent [mon]ths over corruption [scan]dals, said in Tokyo [on] Monday that he would [resig]n within 48 hours. Fuji[mori] issued a brief written [state]ment confirming [anno]uncements made hours [earli]er in Peru by his prime [mini]ster and his second vice [pres]ident. Second Vice [Pres]ident Ricardo Marquez [said] Fujimori had asked him [to st]ep in as president until [speci]al elections are held in [April] and a new leader takes [offic]e in July.

[N]EW DELHI, India — [India]'s prime minister made [a ges]ture to Islamic guerril[las] Sunday, promising to [cease]-fire by Indian security [forc]es in Kashmir during [the] Muslim holy month of [Ram]adan and has called on [guer]rillas to do so as well in [the] Himalayan region.

[TO]DAY WEATHER

Tuesday, 11/21, will be [cold] with intervals of clouds [and] sunshine. Highs in the [50s].

Wednesday, 11/22, [will] be sunny and cold [Hig]hs in the 50s.

Thursday, 11/23, will [be] sunny. Highs will be in [the] 50s.

Friday, 11/24, will be [sun]ny and cloudy. Highs [will] be in the 50s.

Sabbath, 11/25, will be [clo]udy. Highs will be in the [upp]er 50s.

Sunday, 11/26, will be [sun]ny and cloudy. Highs [wil]l be in the upper 60s.

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Cady Van Dolson/Staff Photographer
Misty Crano, sophomore physics major, packs a bag of clothes Sunday night as she prepares to go home for Thanksgiving vacation. Some students left last week to either go home or on the New York trip, while others will leave this week after classes end on Tuesday.

Pirates of Penzance production a success

By Debbie Battin
Staff Writer

The School of Music at Southern Adventist University gave its premiere performance of Pirates of Penzance on Thursday, November 26.

The musical, a British comedy set in the Victorian era, uses the talents of over 100 students with roles in acting, singing, designing the set, publishing flyers, and playing in the pit orchestra.

"The production of Pirates of Penzance shows that Southern is enriched with many talented musicians, actors, and artists. With the combination of the outstanding orchestra, the finest singers, and the best of the art department this show is set for success," said Dr. Matt James, director and producer of the musical.

Following the informal tradition of doing a musical every other year, James took the challenge of producing Pirates of Penzance.

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer
Ariel Childers, junior art major, plays Ruth, the nursemaid, in Pirates of Penzance.

Performing and producing this show took many long hours. All those involved enjoyed the work involved.

"I love to sing. Ever since I was little I told my mother that I wanted to be a singer.

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Collegedale Church, Southern give to community

By Yvette Saliba
Staff Writer

On November 18, the Collegedale Church gave back to the community in its annual Celebration of Thanks service. The program featured children and young adults singing and reciting short readings.

"The Celebration of Thanks is a grand moment of worship, in which community members come together to offer their gifts of thanks through music, readings, monetary and practical gifts," said D'uane Schoonard, pastor of spiritual nurture at Collegedale Church.

Southern also was involved in this activity. Thatcher Hall, the women's residence hall, has a box outside each resident assistant's room, waiting to be filled with non-perishable food items.

Although Talge Hall, the men's residence hall, is also collecting food they are not a part of the Church's program.

Halfway through the program, a processional began with the University Brass leading out. During this time, people from the congregation went to the front of the church and place non-perishable food items in boxes. These boxes of food were taken to the Samaritan Center, where they will be made into packages and delivered to families in the community for Thanksgiving.

Last year, the church gave the Samaritan Center 60 food baskets, as well as

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Students rate their Southern education

By Jimmy Rhodes
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered how your fellow students rate Southern Adventist University?

In a study conducted by the university's Institutional Research Department, statistics show that satisfaction levels in instructional effectiveness, academic advisement and student centeredness are extremely important to those attending Southern Adventist University.

During the spring semester of 2000, a survey was given in order to find out how students rated Southern. The Institutional Research Department gathered statistics from a variety of students pursuing different majors and came up with the following demographies

• Data was collected from a total of 26 freshmen, 29 sophomores, 26 juniors, and 24 seniors. Seventy-four were female and 31 were male.

• Of the 105 students who participated, 4.76% were pursuing an associates degree, 60% a bachelor's degree, 17.14% a master's degree and 17.14% a doctorates degree.

• The majority of the students had good GPA's with 53 students having a 3.5 or above, 30 students between 3.0—3.49, 14 students between 2.5—2.99, 4 students between 2.0-2.49, and 4 students between a 1.99 or below.

The following chart shows how students rated Southern in quality of education, atmosphere and administrative services. All information presented has been acquired from the Institutional Research Department.

Sharon Ekkens, secretary of institutional research and planning says that these survey's are very effective because they give Southern's research department an idea of which areas the university is doing well and where improvement is needed. Once conclusions have been made, action is taken to keep Southern Adventist University at the top in student satisfaction.

How well is Southern meeting students' expectations?

Category	Level of importance	Level of satisfaction
Academic advising	92%	80%
Campus climate	91%	76%
Campus life	84%	69%
Support services	86%	76%
Concern for the individual	91%	75%
Instructional effectiveness	94%	78%
Recruitment/financial aid	90%	69%
Registration effectiveness	90%	72%
Safety and security	89%	69%
Service excellence	89%	74%
Student centeredness	92%	76%

School of Visual Art and Design to create statue

Elijah statue will be placed on mall in front of Wright Hall

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

Southern Adventist University has decided to add a statue has a landmark to its campus, following the footsteps of other Andrews University and LaSierra University.

"Gordon Bietz asked me if I would come up with some possible ideas for making a sculpture. He felt that there should be something on campus. He wanted to place the statue in front of Wright Hall, on the mall," said Wayne Hazen, dean of the School of Visual Art and Design.

Hazen's wife, Maria, came up with the idea of using Elijah and Elisha.

The Biblical passage for Maria's inspiration came from 1 Kings 19, verses 19-21 (NIV): "Elijah went up to [Elisha] and threw his cloak around him. Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother good-by,' he said, 'and then I will come with you.'...Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his attendant."

"I love the significance of the symbolism. This is a physical reminder of the psychological basis of the campus, the transfer of wisdom and education," said Wilma McClarty, chair of the English department and member of the appointed art committee that voted for the idea.

Hazen agrees.

"It is the idea of passing the mantel from the older to the younger. This is not just a mantel, but education, responsibility and Christian values," he said.

A model of the two-figure statue stands in Maria Hazen's office in Brock Hall. Elijah stands, his hand extended toward and looking down on Elisha. Elisha looks up at Elijah. He has Elijah's cloak laid over his shoulder.

The model is only two feet tall, but Hazen said that Elijah's figure, the taller figure, would be "16 feet tall, from the top of the head to the bottom of the feet." This does not include the pedestal, which will make Elijah stand 27-30 feet tall. According to Hazen the statue will weigh 17 tons and the head alone will be five to six tons.

A statue this enormous deserves to be created of good stone, Hazen said.

"I didn't want a stone that would be broken down by acid rain. I want a stone that will stay until Jesus comes, so I chose granite," Hazen said.

Granite figures, however, take a long time to complete. Hazen, who has made four or five "monumental pieces" previously, estimates that it will take him years. He has decided to take five or six Dimensional Design students with him to Barry, Vermont's Rock of Ages quarry, the largest quarry in the world, this summer to begin Elijah.

Loren Howard, Animation senior, is one of the designated helper students.

"This will be a great conversation piece," said Wilma McClarty, "It will be large enough. You won't miss it."

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PLAY

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I believe God has given me the talent of singing, so that I can use music to glorify God,"said Paro Rodriguez, one of two who played the part of Friedrich.

Nelys Dlivera, one of two who played Mable added, "Working with so many people who are so talented has been the most exciting part of being in the Pirates of Penzance. We are all working together to bring something special to the community"

British humor, a constant play on words, and irony comprise this tale of Friedrich, a young orphan supposedly destined to be a pirate.

"The music is beautiful, and the story is so cute and witty, yet such a sweet romance," said Yelena Serebrennikova, who playd one of the daughters of the Major General.

Friedrich and his nurse maid set sail with a pirate ship because the nurse misunderstood his father's wish for his son to be a pilot. She thought he said pirate.

The story begins at his 21st birthday as he decides that he does not want to stay with the pirates. Thinking his contract is fulfilled, he leaves the ship, and falls in love with Mabel, one of the beautiful daughters of the Major General.

Complications arise as the pirate king discovers, with the help of Ruth, the nurse maid who has been in love with Friedrich for many years, that Friedrich was born on leap year. Therefore, it is not really his 21st birthday. The contract states he has to remain with the pirates until his 21st birthday, not his 21st year.

Feeling his sense of duty, he returns to the pirate ship and promises Mabel to return back in 63 years. Deeply in love, she says that it seems so long, but agrees to be strong. With the help of English police, the pirates eventually surrender to Queen Victoria. Upon finding out that the pirates were actually noble men originally, the Major General allows them to marry his daughters.

And the all lived happily ever after.

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

Set designer Jesse Rademacher (second from left) plays the pirate king. He and Freidrich, played by Paco Rodriguez (far right) are joined by their fellow pirates in declaring their loyalty to piracy.

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an entire truckload of food. Usually the members of the church help with the distribution of the packages, but this year other organizations in the community will be delivering the food.

In addition to the food that was collected during the Church service, there were thank you notes made available for people to write letters on. After composing a letter and completing it with an address, Schoonard said that the Collegedale Church will provide postage and mail the letters

Laura Ashlock, senior psychology major, and Niki Welch, junior psychology major, wait in line to bring their cans of food to the front of the santuary during the Celebration of Thanks church service last Sabbath.

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Adventist students challenge church leader[s] to support public campus initiatives

By Chris Drake
ANN Staff

Berkeley, California – Seventh-day Adventist students from around the world have adopted the "Berkeley Resolution," calling on the Adventist Church to give "serious attention and support" to "ministry and evangelism on non-Adventist university and college campuses" The Berkeley Resolution document was produced at the University of California, Berkeley, by delegates to Berkeley 2000 (B2K), a first-ever gathering of Adventist students specifically focused on secular campus evangelism and ministry.

According to Will Sutton, Berkeley doctoral student and event organizer, the conference aimed to "create a network of fellowship on secular campuses around the world." Delegates attending B2K, which ran from September 13 to 16, came from the United States, Germany, Bangladesh, Ghana, England, and Kenya.

The Berkeley Resolution states that there are currently more than 16 million students in North America alone studying on campuses that, by and large, do not have a recognizable Adventist presence. According to the document, an estimated 60 to 70 percent of Adventist students are enrolled in public universities and colleges.

Among the initiatives the resolution proposes are closer ties between Adventist campus groups and the Chaplaincy Ministries department of the church in North America, greater emphasis by Adventist seminaries on ways of ministering to students on non-Adventist campuses, and "annual conferences and other events to train public campus student leaders on Biblical principles of leadership and evangelism."

The proposal calls on the Adventist Church in North America to designate a year, within the next five years, to focus on "the opportunities and challenges facing students on non-Adventist campuses." The Berkeley Resolution also requests that the church in North America appoint a "person to coordinate the ministry on non-Adventist college and university campuses"

According to Dr. Humberto Rasi, education department director for the Adventist Church worldwide, the B2K conference "has come at the right moment to galvanize the movements that have begun on 50 to 60 campuses in North America. It brings these ministries togethe[r] perfect timing"

Dr. Dwight Nelson, c[on]ference presenter and se[nior] pastor of Pioneer Mem[orial] Adventist Church in Ber[rien] Springs, Michigan, [said] B2K "has started [a] process that will pro[vide] continual reaffirmat[ion,] cross-pollenization, [and] accountability betw[een] Adventist groups on sec[ular] campuses."

B2K attracted college [and] university students f[rom] secular and Adventist c[am]puses, graduate stude[nts,] Adventist youth lead[ers,] communication profess[ion]als and church leaders. E[vents] events included both se[mi]nars and plenary sessi[ons.] Among the presenters w[ere] Dan Matthews, consul[tant] for the television prog[ram] Faith for Today; Hy[veth] Williams, senior pastor [of] the Campus Hill Adve[ntist] Church in Loma Linda, C[ali]fornia; and Ron Pickell[,] grassroots leader in sec[ular] campus ministry. Repre[sen]tatives also attended f[rom] Adventist-affiliated ins[titu]tions including Loma Li[nda] University, Pacific Pr[ess] Publishing Association, Sierra Univers[ity,] Maranatha Volunteers In[ter]national, Pacific Union C[ol]lege, Faith for Today, A[...] CUS and SDAnet.

Local universities offer Adventist ministries

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

Two local, non-Adventist universities, the University of Tennessee (UT), in Knoxville, Tenn, and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC), have a Seventh-day Adventist presence established on their campus.

The ministry at UT is Advent House, a residence that houses 5 students, including 3 Adventists

"It's the closest thing to a church we have on campus," said Ron Pickell, director and chaplain of Advent House.

Advent House is a place where students gather for fellowship, Bible studies and worship, as well as a place to study and be with friends.

Patrons of the Advent House can share in campus worship and social activities, as they try to develop relationships with other people.

"Our mission is for our students to personally know and experience God's love," said Pickell, who is also the coordinator for Adventist Christian fellowship for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference.

Pickell stressed that Adventist doctrine is shared when non-Adventist students raise questions, and that they try to influence students by being genuine Christians

The Berkeley Resolution (see above story) will assist campus ministries like Advent House and Campus Advent, an Adventist student organization at UTC.

Campus Advent is an official campus organization at UTC that offers Bible s[tudies] and outreach ministries[, as] well as providing an on-c[am]pus student center w[here] students can meet.

Danny Barto, preside[nt of] Campus Advent last [year,] said that some Adventist [stu]dents on secular camp[uses] miss the contact with o[ther] Adventists.

Both Barto and Pi[ckell] quoted statistics that Ad[ven]tists on secular camp[uses] outnumber students [at] Adventist institutions

Campus Advent also [...] with other religious or[gani]zations in their ministrie[s.]

Barto would like S[outh]ern students to visit [...] and offer a physical [pres]ence on campus.

Coker Preston, a fo[rmer] student at Southern, is [...] president of Campus Ad[vent] this year.

Student missionaries on fundraising tour in United State[s]

By Sonja Blau Lind
Staff Writer

Because of recent unexpected financial disaster in Bolivia, the Center for the Recuperation of Drug-Addicted Children (CERENID), a boys' orphanage located near Santa Cruz, was forced to raise more money to support itself.

Jordan Wareham, 20, and Jeff Johnson, 21, student missionaries at CERENID, have returned to the United States until the end of the year.

"We were in Bolivia for two months, but because of the current economic crisis, ADRA could not continue the same funding of CERENID," Wareham said.

The student missionaries visited Southern Adventist University last week on a fundraising tour in the United States.

"We found out two weeks ago. Ricardo, our director, thought about getting plane tickets to fly us around America to fundraise," Johnson said.

But, CERENID did not have enough money for the missionaries to fly back. Because ADRA only provided the Pacific Union College students with shelter and food, Johnson and Wareham could not afford a ticket.

A friend in California let them borrow enough money to buy a return ticket to the United States. The ticket would take the students to eight different cities in two months.

Nashville was the first city on their tour. Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Chicago, Washington, DC and Miami are the next stops. From Miami, the students will return to Bolivia.

"One of our goals is to visit the Adventist college and university areas," Johnson said. "We know that God will bless us. I know he's been blessing us."

Wareham added, "We're going to appeal, appeal, appeal. That's the plan."

Both students found the atmosphere at Southern receptive.

"People have been great," said Johnson, "We've had money given to us by students already. And the chaplain office here has been really helpful."

Wareham added, "I know there's a strong mission spirit here. We came here for two reasons. First, we wanted to fundraise. But we also wanted to raise awareness. [CERENID] is one of the few projects where you can see God working You're there to change lives."

CERENID not only changed Bolivian lives, but it also changed Californian lives.

Sonja Blau Lind/Staff Photogra[pher]

Jeff Johnson and Jordan Wareham, student missionaries in Bolivia, stopped at Southern last week on [a] fundraising tour in the United States.

"We were there for two months and it has changed our lives," Wareham said.

"It wasn't really until July that everything came together," Johnson added "I fundraised with my family to buy the ticket there [both Johnson's and Wareham's original tickets return in April]. ADRA was not paying us anything. They basically give us shelter and food, but we knew that before going down there.

The money the students plan to raise over the next two months will be used for food, parent salaries, medicine, clothes and more houses.

For future plans, the students would like to deposit the money in a bank. "We'd like to make beaucoup bucks and build interest on it," said Johnson, "They can't go to America every year to make money."

Wareham and Johnson will return to Bolivia on December 26 and will continue to work there until next spring

Wareham encourages those students interested in becoming missionaries to take this job next year. "I'll be done in June," he [said,] "but they'll still need [...] It's a great opportun[ity to] work hard, make friend[s and] change lives in the p[...]"

Both students said [they] hope that they will [raise] back sufficient funds [for the] orphanage in Dec[ember.] Both trust that God [will pro]vide all their needs.

To help Jordan W[areham] and Jeff Johnson, con[tact the] Chaplain Office or [send] donations to: ADRA [...] Ted Wick, 12501 Old C[olum]bia Pike, Silver Sprin[g, MD] 20904. Email the stud[ents at] cerenid@hotmail.com

Mind the gap

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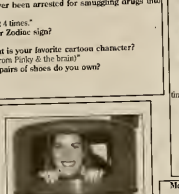
Meet the editors of the SouthernAccent

Keith Puffer is co-editor for the Science and Technology sections of the Accent. His goal is to choose topics that are interesting to those who are science & technology majors, and also those who are not. Basically, if you've finished the article and say "hmm..." he's accomplished his goal.

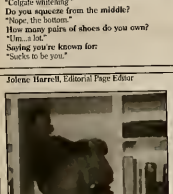
Keith, what is your greatest childhood disappointment?
"I'm not special."
Do you squeeze your toothpaste from the middle?
"I have the "Neat-Squeeze dispenser....solves these nasty conflicts."
Who is your favourite teacher at Southern?
"Phil Garver or Derek Morris."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"Been caught 4 times."
What is your Zodiac sign?
"Scorpio"
Who or what is your favorite cartoon character?
"the Brain (from Pinky & the brain)"
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Five."

Cody Van Dolsen, Editor in Chief



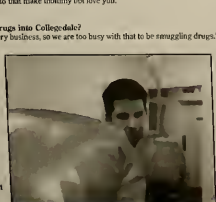
Greatest childhood disappointment?
"Finding out that there is no Santa Claus."
What is the last dream you had?
"That I was going on a trip to Maryland, where I'm from."
What is your least or most favourite conversation topic?
"The Accent, of course."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"Um...yeah...just a couple times though."
Who is your favourite teacher at Southern?
"Stephen Ruf-he's encouraged me with my writing, with the paper this year and with my job at the Times/Free Press."
Favourite fairy tale:
"The day all the Accent editors came to their meeting on time and had all their story assignments."
What is your night-time routine?
"Put on my pajamas, take out contacts, brush teeth."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Colgate whitening."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"Nope, the bottom."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Um...a lot."
Saying you're known for:
"Sucks to be you."

Jolene Harrell, Editorial Page Editor



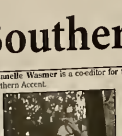
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"Does caffeine count? I don't drink it myself, but I've been known to deal..."
Favorite fairy tale:
"Cinderella."
What is your zodiac sign?
"Pisces (Actually I'm on the first day of my sign, and in some magazines I'm an Aquarius)."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Crest, extra whitening."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"Nope. I do it the right way and roll the tube from the end up."
Favorite cartoon character?
"Dr. the muppets sound? I really like Kermit."
Animal you would compare yourself to:
"A ladybug."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Hmmm...not enough fingers and toes for this one."
What is your nightly routine?
"Let's see, first I pat on my pjs, then I brush my teeth and wash my face...Sometimes I unwind by laying in bed discussing the day's juicest news with my roommate. Listening to Loreena McKennitt also helps with late-night relaxation."
Greatest childhood disappointment?
"I learned that when you're poor you can't just go to the bank and get more money."
Favorite teacher at Southern?
"Stephen Ruf-he is encouraging but still shows me how to improve my writing."
Saying you're known for:
"I'm still looking for that trademark phrase. Any ideas?"

Matt Bosley, Graphics Editor



Greatest childhood disappointment?
"When I found out that there ARE things you can do that make mommy cut love you."
What is the last dream you had?
"Being interviewed on Stuckofnut."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"My roommate and I are currently in the crack delivery business, so we are too busy with that to be smuggling drugs."
Animal you would compare yourself to:
"Fluffy the cat."
What is your night-time routine?
"Turning off the lights."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Ultra-Bright."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"No."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Four."
Favorite color:
"Dark powder blue."
Saying you're known for:
"Shut up." No, really. Shut up.
Who is your favourite teacher at Southern?
"Zach Grey."
If you could commit any crime what would it be?
"Grand theft auto. Definitely."

Janelle Wasmer is a co-editor for the science and technology section of our de[partment] Southern Accent.

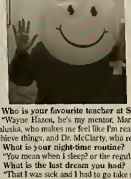


What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Close-up original red gel"
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"ABSOLUTELY"
Animal you would compare yourself to?
"Bob Cat"
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Too many to admit."
Favorite teacher at Southern?
"Dr. Samaan"
Greatest childhood disappointment?
"My daddy telling me that he didn't know h[ow] to teach me to play the piano."
Night-time routine?
"Straighten my sheets, fluff my pillows, talk to Dave on the phone."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"No, but some of the accent staff's crack suppliers have been."
Favorite fairy tale?
"Once upon a time, the science section had some writers who turned stuff in [on] time..."
Saying you're known for?
"Thank you, come again!"
If you could commit any crime what would it be?
"Al Gore would be kidnapped and sold to a cannibal-trading tribe in Bhavain."
What is the last dream you had?
"I was back in the town I grew up in building a brick treehouse in a massive tree."
Least or most favorite conversation topic?
"Least favorite topic is politics."

Morgan Koehenower, Sports Editor

What was your greatest childhood disappointment?
"When I found out I wasn't related to Donald Trump."
What is your favourite cartoon character?
"Favorite cartoon? Mother Goose and Grim."
How many pairs of shoes do you have?
"8 pairs of shoes."
What is your nightly routine?
"Study, watch sportscenter at 11p.m., take shower, watch sportscenter at 1 a.m. go to sleep."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"What is toothpaste?"
Who is your favourite teacher at SAU?
"Closest, Life and Teachings."
Have you ever been caught smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"My crew runs a tight ship so I've never been caught smuggling."
What is your favourite fairy tale?
"When that hot chick pays all that guys bills and she ends up taking care of him the r[est] of his life, while he watches football, and sportscenter."
Saying you're known for:
"Big Dawg"
If you could commit any crime, what would it be?
"Getting away with sneaking out of the dorm last year."
What is the last dream you had?
"I was leading a group of scale into a jungle when I suddenly woke up."

Jennifer Williams, Copy Editor



Greatest childhood disappointment?
"When I found out that Sesame Street was n[ot a] real place."
Saying you're known for:
"Oh, honestly."
What is your least or most favourite conversation topic?
"Myself, I only like to talk about myself."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"I can't remember."
Animal you would compare yourself to:
"A sloth."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Dental Care."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"No, I squeeze from the top."
Who is your favourite teacher at Southern?
"Wayne Hazen, he's my mentor, Maria Hasen, she forgave me for crashing her car, Haluska, who makes me feel like I'm really learning, Mrs. Pike, who makes me feel like I [a]chieve things, and Dr. McClarty, who really cares whether I come to class or not."
What is your night-time routine?
"You mean when I sleep? or the regular nights?"
What is the last dream you had?
"That I was sick and I had to go take my exit exams."

What was your greatest childhood disappointment?
"My parents divorce."
What is your nightly routine?
"Talk to my roomy, pray, read Testimonies."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Colgate."
Do you squeeze from the bottom?
"I squeeze from the front, less work."
Have you ever been caught smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"No, but I've been caught driving under the influence of love."
What is your favourite cartoon character?
"Bugs bunny, he's witty, overly dramatic, and eats vegetables."
What animal would you be compared to?
"My roommate says I'm a beagle, because they are loyal, cute, hyper and because [I] love them (so he says)."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Two, plus some pink flip-flops from South America."
What is your favourite fairy tale?
"The matrix--its a postmodern fairytale that parallels the great controversy."
What phrase are you known for?
"Let's pray!"

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Meet the Accent Editors continued...

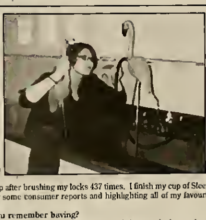
Kyle Baldwin, Assistant News Editor

Who is your favourite cartoon character?
"That blond chick from Captain Planet."
What animal do you think you are most like?
"Tiger (only on good days)"
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Four."
What is your favourite colour?
"Blue"
What is your favourite faery tale?
"Peter Pan."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Crest."
Do you squeeze from the bottom?
"I alternate my squeezing when it comes to toothpaste."
What sayings are you known for?
"Good night! Oh my word! Man Alive!"
What was your greatest dissapointment in your childhood?
"My greatest dissapointment was when I realized that I'm not as smart as I thought I was."
What is your nightly routine?
"Unfortunately I have to go to bed at an early hour because of my early work schedule."
Who is your favourite teacher at Southern?
"Lynn Caldwel."
Have you ever smuggled drugs into Collegedale?
"No I haven't smuggled drugs into Collegedale or anywhere else."

Joe LaCom, Humour Editor

Favourite teacher at Southern?
"Dr. Burks."
What is your favorite cartoon?
"Calvin and hobbes"
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Three or four."
What is your favourite colour?
"Orange."
What saying are you known for?
"Ruiiiight."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Whatever my dad gives me, he's a dentist. I guess crest."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"Whatever comes naturally."
What is your night-time routine?
"In one word? I dont know...it changes every night."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"Not anymore."
What is the last dream you had?
"I had a dream about being a ballerina, and I got to do all of these beautiful moves and jumps in the air. Then the scene switched and I was wrestling alligators in this elevator shaft, but they were standing on their hind legs and had plastic light sabers."
Least or most favorite conversation topic?
"I don't think we want to mention that..."

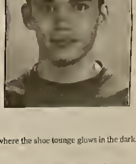
Abigail Walters, styles/Features Editor



What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Tom's from Maine, ooh, minty."
Do you squeeze from the middle?
"No...I place the tube on the [...] and jump real hard."
What is your nightly bedtime routine?
"Bathing my two flamingos, Bartles (pictured on the [...]) and James (who is waiting patiently for his turn) [...] putting my zippered [...]jamas on and my stocking cap after brushing my locks 437 times. I finish my cup of Sleepy [...] herbal tea, while reading some consumer reports and highlighting all of my favourite [...]s."
What is the last dream you remember having?
"I had a dream about pushing tires to the recycling center and that you had to make an [ap]pointment but I hadn't. So I just told the guy that I was with the mafia and he let me in, but [...] it wasn't really the recycling center, it turned out to be this sauna place. Please don't ana[lyze] me."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"None; when I am not running around barefoot [toughening my feet], the only shoes I wear [are] not actually 'owned' by me, they are on loan from the CDC, it's an experiment."
Name your least or most favourite conversation topic:
"I would have to say that I love talking about Eddie Bagahma. If anyone knows about this [...] call me and we will talk about it. As for my least prefered conversation topic...I suppose [if it i]s my least favourite topic to talk about, then I wouldn't spend much time thinking about it [...]. So, I don't have an answer for you."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"According to my sources Dr. Pepper counts as a drug, as does the magic bean, both of [wh]ich I have permeated sanctuary limits with. Next I will go for coffee flavoured mustard."
If you could commit any crime what would it be?
"I have already committed the perfect crime, so a better question would be 'If you could do [any]thing that you wanted without getting hurt or fined, what would it be?'. To that I would [answ]er: go urban kayaking at Coolidge Park, never go to assembly again, and run with bulls."

Nick Lee, Design Editor

What is your night-time routine?
"After plugging away long hours at my G3 Mac, I set my away messages for both ICQ and AIM, and then slirp down the last bit of Mountain Dew thats left in the can. I then shed my external shell of clothing, and brush my teeth. Returning to my computer for the last few seconds, I set it to play some soft techno music and then dim the screen. Glancing at the alarm clock to check if its set to wake me up, I exhale audibly and role into bed, for it is 3 a.m. and I will only be able to get 5 hrs of sleep tonight."
What kind of toothpaste do you use?
"Crest."



Do you squeeze from the middle?
"Absolutely not, I believe middle squeezers should be beaten over the head with a tube of toothpaste."
Least and most favorite conversation topic:
"I will probably talk about anything, I seem to talk a lot. As for my least favorite topic, it probably would be baseball. Football rank in there second, third would probably be other sports that don't have anything more interesting then a few stats and big slams. The finer sports are interesting but still low on my conversational topic list. As for favorite topics, I would have to say, because I am a geek, it would definitely be computers. Anything computers, be it, internet, hardware, especially software, and even more so, if it deals with the Mac community"
Who is your favorite teacher at Southern?
"My favorite teacher at Southern is sadly no longer here. His name is Ezekiel Rocha, a wild spirited Graphic Design teacher who's atitude and energy really reflected that of Southern's Art Department."
Have you ever been arrested for smuggling drugs into Collegedale?
"You know, now that you mention it, no, I haven't, because, if I had, then I obviously wouldn't be writing or working for the Accent."
How many pairs of shoes do you own?
"Only 3, I own a pair of Birkenstock's, a pair of Jnco shoe's that I got on sale, where the shoe tounge glows in the dark, and my dress shoes, that's it."
Favorite color:
"Currently I think my favorite color is green, though running in second and third are orange (not tennessee's orange, sorry) and yellow."
If you could commit any crime what would it be?
"City racing, top speed, supercharged Fiat Minivan!!! No cops for me!!"
What is the last dream you had?
"Wild color music parade. The music was perfect, the colors were amazing, swirly this way and that.. Almost like flying through a colored space!"
Saying you're known for:
"Boo-ya!!!"

Guitars, christianity and the least of these

By Guest Writer Matt Harris

[w]ell, this is it i guess. my first [jour]nal entry to you guys. i hope [...] of you find what you are looking for or at least something to [thi]nk about. anyways, all day [tod]ay ive been thinking about this [gui]tar i want. i wont give all the [par]ticulars cause i know there are [a fe]w guitar folks here who would [lik]e to convert me to "their [bra]nd" guitar. it basically boils [dow]n to this: right now i cant [affo]rd it.

[i]m not sure why i do it but i [kee]p getting in this mindset that [as] soon as i get this beautiful [ins]trument i will suddenly [bec]ome the greatest guitar player [aro]und. like somehow this piece [of] wood is supposed to make up [for] my lack of talent. so i think [bef]ore i purchase this instrument [i n]eed to sharpen my skills some [mo]re, not to mention get a job so i [can] actually buy it one day. its so [fu]nny too cause my life for the [pa]st few weeks has kinda been [jus]t pointing toward this guitar. [an]d i got to thinking, what am i [wa]nna do when i get it? its not like [the]re are gonna be 12 local [ch]urches that are gonna want me [as] their music leader cause they [fi]nd out i got a new guitar. i cant drop out of college and pursue what i wanna do, which is play music for a living on the road(right now talent and skill are keeping me from it not to mention the fact that my folks want me to finish college).

im not sure why it is but we, as human beings, tend to lose focus especially as christians we often lose sight of whats most important. another odd thing that i thought about tonight was the monks of the old world. like martin luther and all the other bald guys. i dont speak of martin luther lightly but i was just thinking about how they(correct me if im wrong, this is coming from my 11th grade world history class) would take the vow to not leave the monastery and to stay there and pray and translate scripture and what not. they never really got out in the real world. today as christians we are known to debate amongst ourselves and be closed minded. most of us are. but i think we need to be loving. instead of fighting when they take prayer from our schools why dont we just love them even more and pray more at home? i dont even pray enough at home to fight if they took prayer away before high school football games. im from the south so yes, they still do that in some remote corners.jesus hung out with the worst people of his day. the whores, the drug dealers, the guy with all the piercings and even brothers in the projects. who on earth are we to think we can be justified by our little handful of change to salvation army and by shoving a tract in someones face? i regret doing this many times and maybe its me but ive never seen or met someone who was personally introduced to Jesus this way. why are we so pushy with our gospel anyways?

> *Who are we to think we can be justified by our little handful of change to Salvation Army and by shoving a tract in someones face?*

i once met a couple at a gas station back home and they asked me for a ride to a hotel about 20 miles away. the man and his wife were meeting a friend there. and on top of that she was pregnant. if i could ever have a mental picture of the humble sheep this would be it. i called my folks, since i was expected to meet them somewhere and i was already late, and asked if i could be later and take these people to this hotel. they said no. to this day im not sure if me taking them would have justified my disobedience to my parents of course my mother, being a mom like she is(i love her), was taking it to the extreme and saying these people might take my car and leave me helpless and stranded on the side of the road or possibly be murderers. that would be fine with me cause if these people will go that far then they truly do need the car more than me. i do know that whenever i hear the phrase "what you have done to the least of these you have done to me" that i remember their faces. its like when mel gibson says in the patriot that he can still hear the screams of the people he killed at fort wilderness. every time i see their faces in my mind i wanna weep. not cry. you cry at relationships broken, sad movies and so on. but i want to weep for the fact that i saw them and did nothing. i wanna beg to Jesus for his blood to cover that in my life. there are many things i am ashamed of in my life. physical issues, stupid doctrinal arguments and things of that nature. this is one thing i would never want any one who knows me to see. i guess thats what a conscience is. the Holy Spirit convicts us of these things. not the 2 dollars we stole when we were five or the times weve lied to our parents. i think its when you get the opportunity to love someone, who needs it more than you, and you dont. not you forget or you dont notice but when you mentally contemplate loving them and what it would cost you and you refuse. Christ didnt refuse us so who are we as his so-called followers to think we can do any less? i didnt quite mean for this to turn out as the guilt trip im sure it is for you as it was for me. and im sorry it was so random. my mind usually tends to be that way. but i guess that was just pointed out to me today as the guitar and that couple were both on my mind all day. every day.

Coming next week:
-Expanded section
-More of the usual suspects (grassroots music, local event listings, and Ask Sholly)
-Student contributions page; send in creative writing & original artwork to: accent@southern.edu

EDITORIALS

Gun control misses the mark

"Would you shoot another American for simply not waiving his right to bear arms?" Sounds bizarre, but this was almost a direct quote from a survey distributed to at least 300 elite Marines. A question like this brings up an important question – just how important is our right to bear arms? Many Americans are worried about how far Gun Control activists are planning on taking their legislation. Hopefully this article will help you see why gun control is a bad idea.

While some people define gun control as "hitting what you aim for," others go to the encyclopedia for help. Encarta says gun control is "a term that refers to the attempt to reduce violence caused by the use of firearms by regulating their ownership and use." Each year in the United States more than 35,000 people are killed by guns - a death rate much higher than in any other industrialized nation. Something needs to be done, but is gun control that something? Avoiding gun control will secure our peace of mind, our right to bear arms, and our safety.

Just having a firearm can give you peace of mind, leaving you feeling safer and more secure anywhere you go. Criminals are less likely to commit a crime as the probability that a would-be victim is going to be able to defend themselves increases. For example, a 1998 issue of Time states this: "Looking at multiple victim public shootings from 1977 through 1995 indicates that the passage of right-to-carry concealed handgun laws is associated with an 84% drop in the rate at which these multiple victim public shootings occur."

Our right to bear arms was written as the second amendment by our country's forefathers who knew what it was like to live without it. It states that, "A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." It doesn't require that you be in a militia to exercise this right. Also, the much acclaimed Brady Bill is considered by most to be a failure which only served to hurt the poorer citizens by adding a $200 firearm license and a $90 annual renewal fee. Ironically studies show that these are the people who need to protect themselves the most.

We will also be safer if we avoid the use of gun control to lower gun crimes. Having more guns in a given region does not necessarily cause more crime in that area. In face, the states that have had the highest growth in gun ownership have in fact had the biggest drops in violent crime rates Also, those states that issue the most permits have had the largest drops in violent crime, and over time as more permits are issued there is a continued drop in violent crime.

As you can see, opposing gun control will ensure our peace of mind, our rights, and our safety. Don't be dissuaded by the emotional appeals of gun control advocates. Tear jerking stories can be written about a trip to the dentist but let's not ban them too Keep the real issue on your mind and you will make the right choice.

Gun control protects citizens

Gun control is a long standing and furious debate within American politics and the general public Many Americans fear both being left defenseless by gun control laws while criminals run wild on murderous rampages and having their basic Constitutional rights violated. These fears are unfounded and based on misinformation and fallacies

Gun control does not mean gun prohibition. But having said this, the Second Amendment does not promise the right to own unlimited weapons to every American citizen The wording and intent of the Constitution in regard to guns in ambiguous, but several circuit courts have ruled that "...the Second Amendment right 'to keep and bear arms' applies only to the right of the state to maintain a militia, and not to the individual's right to bear arms" (Stevens v. U.S., United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 1971).

It is also important to realize that no right, even when specifically spelled out in the Bill of Rights, is absolute. While the Constitution guarantees free speech, that right does not include intentionally spreading false information, as in libel or slander. Personal rights are forfeited when they infringe on the rights or safety of other individuals.

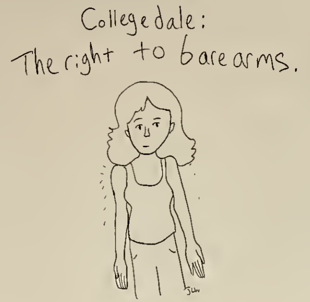
The opinion that gun control will leave the American people defenseless against armed criminals is also largely unfounded. Consider these statistics.

- Approximately 60 percent of all murder victims in the United States in 1989-about 12,000 people-were killed with firearms, according to an FBI report. That number increased to 15, 456 in 1989.
- A friend or member of a household owning a gun is 43 times more likely to die by that gun than an intruder, according to a 1986 study published in The New England Journal of Medicine.
- In the same study, it was shown that residents in a home with a gun are five times more likely to experience a suicide than residents in homes without guns
- Also in the same study, 743 gunshot deaths were analyzed. Only two involved an intruder shot during a break-in, and only nine of the homicides were determined by the police or court systems to be justified, according to Scientific American, 1991.

A law professor from the University of Michigan, John Lott, and David Mustard, a graduate student from the same school, recently published a study showing that in states where concealed weapons were legalized, crime rates dropped. However, the study does not prove that crime rates dropped because of the new gun laws. Lott and Mustard did not tell whether crime rates were dropping in years before the laws were implemented. Neither does the study include information about population changes. For example, in Florida retirees have moved into the state in significant numbers. This would affect the overall crime rate, since most senior citizens are not outlaws.

There are ways for reasonable gun control to be implemented without the loss of Constitutional rights, such as national registration laws and instant background checks for all arms purchases. The National Rifle Association proposes greater gun education and stiffer sentences for gun crimes, which are excellent deterrents. By taking a logical and moderate approach to controlling the use of the world's most deadly weapons, Americans can keep their Constitutional rights and still be protected from unnecessary violence, injury, and death.

All statistics are taken from "A Case for Gun Control," by Jason P. Gottlieb.



Letters to the Editor

Send constructive letters to the editor

Denise Edwards wrote in a top 10 recently telling the Southern Accent what it needed to change I could easily write a top 10 in response, but I feel I can sum it up with a top 3.

Top 3 things to remember when writing to the Accent

3. Don't try to speak for the entire campus. Many of the things you feel are so unneccessary are actually enjoyed by others here on this campus. The editorials, the singles profiles, the feature articles, these things would not exist were there not a demand for them.

2. If all you can do is complain and you have no positive suggestions, don't bother writing in. Anyone can complain, it only becomes constructive if you have something to add.

1. And finally, for all biology majors, the Accent staff is made up of Journalism and Communication majors Don't tell them how to run a paper, and they won't tell you how to dissect a frog

Sincerely
Rob York
Junior print journalism major

"God IV" transfusions

Dear Editor,

The editorial called "What is all this *God* talk anyway?" in the Nov. 9, 2000 issue of the Accent was a great reality check! A sarcastic look at the feelings many have expressed about the required worships, vespes, convocations and other prayer/religion type services.

What are people thinking when they come here? That it's going to be a school where they can finally get away from God and all the "pressure religion" their parents and academy faculty have stuffed down their throats? I don't know if that is true for some students here or not, but it makes me sad to think that there could be so many who feel like they have been "force fed" religion all their lives. Don't misunderstand, I DON'T want to say "you ungrateful heathens" but rather "why not give God a chance?"

This also makes me wonder if many of us have actually been given "God IV" transfusions from bith, and would never have really KNOWN what is being pumped through our veins. We've always been told that something terrible will happen if that "IV" comes out, and have been curious about what would happen ever since. So, now that we are all grown up and on our own, we want to yank that "IV" out of our hands and see what's so terrible out there.

It's a natural tendency. No one wants to be in prison, restricted or "required." I'm not going to turn this into a religion page article. I just want to reflect on the cause of the problem.

Being raised an Adventist or a Christian is both a blessing or a challenge. We know all the right things to say and do, and we know all the stories, but is there something missing? What do you think?

Debbie Battin
Sophomore public relations major

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Eyes and ears

Causing casual anarchy in New York

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

A very merry Thanksgiving to every American at Southern this week. If you're going home (check here), wear your seatbelts and take my columns home to read ("Look, Grandma, what funny editorials we have in our paper!"). If you're staying to work (check here), I'm very sorry.

Ah, Thanksgiving. A time to enjoy the company of family, or, in my case, 50 Southern students in one bus.

Of the few benefits the Art Department offers at Southern (besides a hang-out hallway in Brock Hall), it also gives trips to New York City. That's right: for the mere cost of $550, you can sleep overnight on a bus, buy McDonald's every day and visit one of the hippest cities (subjectively speaking) in the country for one week.

Well, yeah, there are OTHER departments that offer the same trip to New York for far less money. anyway, they're not important.

What I'm trying to say, with four and a half hours before leaving, is that I will enjoy this trip. I will enjoy this trip so much that I have nothing to complain about.

I have no material to gripe and whine about and, consequently, I have no excuse.

Hence, this column ends here.

I hang my proverbial head in shame and shuffle...quietly...away...to New York City..

If, by any strange chance, the president of the United States is elected over Thanksgiving, congratulations to whoever he may be, Mr. Bush.

Until next week, then.

OPINION

What I'm thankful fo

Harmon
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Smallness

A pea lands on my tray.

Then another. I roll my eyes and ignore the perpetrator. With my chin in my hand I let my gaze wander across the cafeteria as I half-listen to a conversation about computer parts.

I pick at the loaf on my plate. Gross.

I toss my tray on the moving belt without ceremony. It rides with the rest of the discarded food into the unknown. I bend down to see what's inside that little window. Hair-netted people. A gust of steam blows across my face. Hmm Mental note: don't want to work in the dishroom of a cafeteria. Ever.

I gather my coat and backpack. When I step outside I stick my hands into the flannel-lined pockets of my coat. I think about people who don't have coats. I brush the thought aside with the confidence that surely they can find a quarter on the ground somewhere and hitch a ride to the Samaritan Center. There are clothes for 25 cents there, right?

I complain with a girlfriend about my hair on the way to class. It won't grow fast enough. My shoes give me blisters. I sigh. My backpack must be the heaviest thing in the world.

Work is drudgery. I have to make 200 copies front AND back of a big long test. The copy machine stops and I extract several toner-covered sheets from its bowels.

I feel like Cinderella My life is just one big melodrama.

Ridiculous, right? My poor little hands have toner on them and my book-filled backpack is heavy. I got peas thrown at me during lunch. Oh no-call Social Services.

My life is limited. I hav
hard time understandi
what it would be like to
have a happy home to
over the holidays. To
have enough to eat or wa
clothes to wear or friend
talk to when I'm lonely
I don't know what
would be like to not be a
to go to school. To live i
dangerous part of town
go to sleep not knowing
I'll ever wake up.

My life is small. My lif
sheltered. My life goes
day after day, uninterrup
and smooth.

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coffeemakers and snow
safes at the Gap. About f
chocolate chip cookies,
date to Pirates of Penza
and my big furry d
named Arnold. Doh,
those stereos that h
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ful people in my life. Fo
car that runs. That I
born with two legs

I am thankful for my
and the blessings in it.
my life is small.

So I guess what I re
should be thankful for is
my closet full of clothes
that red cranberry goo
only gets served at Tha
giving, or even my d
life.

I am thankful for
reminder that my life
small.

Because it is through
I learn how to truly
thankful.

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Asleep in the light

By Billy Dager
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When Jesus began to die the garden of Gethse-ne, He asked the disci-s to "Watch and pray" ving James, John and er and going about a e's throw away, Jesus yed aloud, "Abba! Father! things are possible for e; remove this cup from yet not what I will, but t Thou wilt" (Mark 36). Why did He ask n to pray? And why did go away from them, but stay close enough for n to hear Him?

truggling to stay awake, disciples must have ed a little and talked to another. They might e said, "Hey, Peter, t's up with Jesus? He's serious tonight. Why s He want us to pray? what do you think He nt when He said He was ng us? And what is this r soul-grief that has him depressed?" Peter might e replied, "(Yawn) yeah, confused. I don't under-d why he would think I ld betray Him. I tried to Him over and over that I ldn't. What's with that?" s they dozed with their bts, Jesus returned to n and said, "Simon, are asleep? Could you not p watch for one hour? p watching and praying, you may not come into ptation; the spirit is will-but the flesh is weak" 37-38). They woke up for few minutes and prayed uely, not even realizing their Master's struggle, not realizing how near Satan was drawing to deceive them. Even Peter, who was told Satan was trying to sift him like wheat, did not discern the need of prayer

After this same sad scene was replayed a second and third time, Jesus said, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough; the hour has come; behold, the Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of sinners" (v. 41).

The disciples did not pray hard because they did not discern the problems and opportunities before them. They were sleeping, literally and figuratively! They were asleep and their eyes were closed. Jesus had them close by so they could learn what Jesus' mission was all about. He wanted them to know that He was dying from the sins of the world on Him. They had the opportunity to witness the cross of Jesus with faith. But as it was, they beheld in only in fear. If they had been awake, they could have prayed and even strengthened Jesus to bear the cross, and they could have triumphed with Him over Satan. But as it was, God had to send an angel to strengthen Jesus.

Oh, what opportunities we lose because we fail to persevere in prayer! If you and I discerned the great opportunities God was presently giving us, we would spend five times as much time in prayer. Is God any less willing to give to us bountiful blessings now than He was then? Do we have any less of a struggle with sin and Satan today than Peter had before the cross?

Someone told me of a story of a man who had a dream. In the dream an angel showed this man a very large warehouse. The warehouse was full of packages with names on them. The man asked the angel, what are in those packages? The angel said, "You don't want to know." Then the man asked, "Are there any packages in here with my name on them?" When the man persisted, the angel took him and showed him a large corner full of boxes with his name on them. Then the man asked, "So what is in those packages?" The angel finally answered him, "These packages contain all of the gifts that God has longed to give His children, but for which they never asked!"

Let's discern the times. The world is asleep in the darkness, let's not be asleep in the light of God's opportunity God wants to give you deliverance from that sin God wants to give you special guidance in your career, in your relationship. God wants to open your heart to receive more grace. God wants to save that lost roommate or family member. Why not ask I believe that God will answer – but only if you and I unite in prayer. Prayer perseveres because it discerns great opportunities.

Christ in action

By Debbie Battin
Staff Writer

While in academy, in her teens with too many rules and not enough reasons why, Rachel Lombard, Junior Family Studies major at Southern, found herself struggling to find meaning in her Christian experience. Like many of us, she was raised in an Adventist home. Her family was very involved in church ministries. "God is love. I heard it so much, that I never doubted that there is a God." says Lombard. Still, there was something missing–something personal about the whole God-thing. Slowly the expectations at home became overwhelming. "I was not really rebellious, but I was starting to want more freedom. I wanted to make my own choices, and do my own thing," says Lombard. It was decided that she would go to a small self-supporting academy in Harrisville, NH. It would be her first time away from home–on her own. The environment was new and different, but it was still quite restricting to her natural independent nature. Lombard says, "The faculty were strict on the students, and many of the rules seemed pointless. If the teachers, and other staff had communicated, and explained the principles behind some of the school standards, the students would not have been so frustrated and there would have been less misunderstandings." Although there were some tough times in academy, it was at this time that Lombard began to personally search for her Savior Hoping to work in ministry during the summer, she decided to apply to work at summer camp. As she waited for the application to come she prayed that it would be God's plan for her life.

Strangely the application was not coming. Her mother decided to call about the application. They checked the address, and found out that it had been sent to Harrisville, NY instead of NH.

Rachel Lombard

Meanwhile, a colportuer team came to recruit students for the summer program. Through much prayer, Lombard decided to be a colporteur that summer. God knew His plan for her life when He sent that camp application to NY.

"Tony Spangler was my program director that first summer. He was a real encouragement to me. His influence on my spiritual growth helped me to become my own person and develop my own individual relationship with Christ." says Lombard. She spent that summer with 20 other young people who shared her excitement and commitment to working for God. "Colportuering is the hardest thing you will ever do. We went through lots of struggle and hardships It's hard, very hard." remembers Lombard. Up to this point in her life, she had not wanted to be baptized. She wanted to experience a real relationship with Christ before making such a monumental commitment. At the end of that summer of colportuering she was ready, and decided to be baptized. "I had made this decision on my own. It was finally my own relationship with Chirst" says Lombard. Rachel Lombard found her own personal relationship with Christ. Do you have a real connection with your Father in heaven? Has your Adventist background made you a "grandchild" of God? Lombard says, "We sometimes get so caught up in doing good works that we forget our need for a personal relationship with God."

Be a good what?

By Nathan Robinson
Guest Writer

When I was in sixth de, I had a friend named d. He and his family had started attending our urch as a result of an ngelistic series. Whenev-I went over to his house to y, my parents' words ld ring in my ears: "Be a d example!" I dreaded it. I wanted to do was play rio 3 and Double Dragon d run around the neigh-rhood causing trouble. t that I thought that it was bad idea to be a good mple, but it sure wasn't . Rather, it was a bur-n—motivated by threats negative consequences. ybe you've felt the same y.

But in 1 Timothy 4:12-16, ul doesn't portray being example in a negative nt . . . although he could ve. In his letter to Timo-, Paul could have remind-him of the bad conse-ences if Timothy was n near the brothel in wntown Epheaus. Or if he s overheard down at the terfront making crude es with the sailors. Or if was seen bending over to his sandals near the tem-of the goddess Diana. t Paul doesn't do this. tead he gives Timothy, and us, two very positive reasons for being an example: (1) we ourselves will be blessed, and (2) so will those around us.

For example, my junior year in academy I almost got kicked out of school for some pretty serious stuff.

Nathan Robinson

During the summer I spent ten weeks canvassing. I came back to school with a desire to show that Christ was living in me, but many of my friends were skeptical that I had changed. I had to be an example to them—to watch what I said and did. And I discovered that it was harder to sin when I knew that others were watching. As I tried to be a good example, I also realized how tough it really was. This turned me to Christ and forced me to rely on His strength to live. In this case, being an example was a blessing for my own salvation, and it can work the same way for you. Not only is being an example a blessing for us, but it is also a blessing to others. God wants us to imitate Him so that we can show other people how to live. Gandhi once said that he would be more inclined to believe in Jesus if Christians acted like Him. Just think. if people, our friends, or even strangers accept Christ because our lives and words are Christlike, then our example truly saves them. What a blessing!

God asks us to live Christlike lives, lives that are full of power and influence for good. Isn't this the kind of life that we all want to live anyway? Before you go to your next class or before you start your next day, remember Paul's advice to Timothy, and ask God to help you to be a good example. It will be a blessing for yourself and for others.

"Set an example…in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity." 1 Tim. 4:12 NIV

From halfway full to overflowing

By Dioxi Martinez
Guest Writer

Imagine for a moment that you are a dietician A morbidly obese man approaches you after your weight loss class. He has been too ashamed to attend class so he comes in afterwards. You have spoken to him before and have agreed to help him with his weight loss. He has completed the assignment that you have given him and hands you a log of all that he had eaten in the past two weeks. You notice that he has had a pound of fudge every day. What would be the first thing that you would suggest? The latter is a real story that my instructor shared with my intro to wellness class. I know that that the first thing that crossed my mind was to tell the morbidly obese man "maybe you should cut down on the fudge." And I know that would be the approach most of us would take. But the actual dietician in the story decided to take a different approach. Instead of instructing the man to focus on ridding his life of the bad things, she instructed him to add good things to his diet. The man ended up loosing 100 pounds. After I heard this story I was so impressed about the power of a positive approach to make a deep lifestyle transformation that I decided to give it a name. I call it the wellness mindset. Then it occurred to me that what I had been exposed to was not a new idea but a mindset that has been borrowed from the way God chooses to bring about a deep spiritual transformation in our lives.

A lot of times we come to God in solitude and shame knowing that we are in bad shape We have been overwhelmed by the sins in our lives and we want to be freed from those sins. This feeling of disgust is a natural experience in our spiritual walk. It means that the Holy Spirit has been working in our lives to open our eyes to the mirror of God's standards. He has allowed us to see ourselves and to mourn over our spiritual condition. Much like how the obese man must have looked at himself in the mirror one day and become disgusted with his condition. It is easy however to get caught in the struggle to fix our ugly condition. Our eyes become fixed on changing the sin in our lives instead of being fixed on Jesus. For every one the struggle is different. For you it might be as visible as a bad temper, for another it might be a secret struggle with an insidious cherished sin. Whatever it is, it is the Holy Spirit that has created this desire in you to change so that nothing stands in the way of you and God.

The good news is that Christ has taken up the challenge of executing the dramatic transformation in our lives. But how do you think God views your case? Does He see your condition as a glass that is half empty or half full? The obese man in the story expected the dietician to tell him to get rid of all the things that he was eating wrong. Especially the pound of fudge every day. He was shocked when the dietician advised him instead to make an earnest effort to add a vegetable and a fruit each day to his diet. She was taking a positive approach to a lifestyle transformation that she was going to work in his life. God also takes a positive approach to the transformation He will work in our lives. When we come to Him wanting freedom from our sins he bids us not to look at the sin but to look at the Savior. When we are frustrated and sick of sin in our lives God views us as a glass that waiting to be filled to overflowing with His love. He doesn't view us as a package of shortcomings but as a vessel with room to fill. And so His instruction to us is not to strive to fix the sins in our lives but instead to add the Ultimate Good to our daily regimen. As we add Christ into our lives by feeding on His word every day our love for Him will grow and His love overflowing in our lives will expel the sin from our lives.

God's words about praying

"Pray without ceasing" 1 Thess 5:17.

"If My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face d turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will al their land" 2 Chron 7:14.

"Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed r saved). The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much" James 5:16

"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it shall be one for you. By this is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my sciples" John 15:7

Senioritis and God's will

By Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

Senioritis and seeking God's will seem to go hand in hand. There is something about not knowing what the heck I'm doing after graduation that just drives me to my knees! For some of us the worry is worse than for others. Here's part of my testimony that may help others.

The other night I could not fall asleep so I stayed up reading my Bible and praying. The Holy Spirit was telling me to be faithful to Him and His call, to be willing to be stretched and challenged. I sensed I needed to humble myself to do His will no matter what, or where, or how. But that did not seem good enough for me. I wanted more from God than this vague idea to just surrender. I was aggravated and asked God for some word of grace.

As I was listening in prayer, a few thoughts came to mind based on what I had been meditating on in the book of Acts. God loves this world and longs for opportunities to minister His healing grace to lost children. But He condescends to use frail men, with all of our faults and agendas, instead of going ahead and getting it done with unfallen angels. To someone who had been weighing different ministry opportunities to see which would be more effective, this seemed irrational. I said to God, "You are not being very effective." Why does He not use intelligent, persuasive, sinless, effective beings to impart His message? Isn't that what "Touched by an Angel" is all about?

The answer is because in our loving and giving and bending, we are stretched to know more of His love; because He wants me to love others with the same love He has for me.

My own calling to ministry is an act of irrational grace. My sins and weaknesses and personality are in constant conflict with Him, but He willingly employs me, so in the employing I am saved.

We must surrender control of our plans, our ideas, worries about relationships and financial concerns. We must leave no room to do anything except walk in the footprints our Savior leaves as He leads. To follow God's will, I have discovered I must understand He cares more about my relationship with Him and my character than my performance and course of action.

The Southern Accent

Humor

Tuesday, November 21, 2000

Thriving on sleep Deprivation

Lately I haven't been getting much sleep. Now, you would think this would lead to decreased mental capacities. At first glance this is true. But after taking a closer look, I have found that it is indeed very true. If you found that paragraph amusing, you too are suffering from sleep deprivation.

In my recent studies, I have found that everything

Becomes more amusing with lack of sleep. For instance, the other day I called my friend to ask him whether a certain event was happening. He said no, citing that the host of the event was out of town. I started laughing hysterically. I'm still not sure why. He told me I should go to bed. Unfortunately, I did not.

The next day, for the first time, I felt asleep while standing up. I was at work in the medical records department, and I was filing charts. All of a sudden I woke up. I think I was only out for a few minutes at most, but it was a little disturbing to me. It was a special experience.

Also, I've apparently been having conversations with people that I don't recall at all. People bring up topics that seem vaguely familiar, and ask me questions about it. I say I don't know the answer, and they tell me we talked about it ten minutes earlier. I say, "Oh, right...", when really I still have no clue. Also, I've found that I've committed myself to many projects that I don't remember committing myself too. I'm supposed to volunteer work at an animal shelter next week. When did I say I would do that? Beats me.

Strangely though, I've been getting a lot accomplished. My grades are higher than ever, I'm getting over-time at work. I organized and earned cut a fundraiser, traveled to another state for a week and managed to get all of my homework completed in advance. I cleaned my room, finished my Christmas shopping, and voted in advance. I think these are perhaps the reasons that I am suffering from lack of sleep.

Anyway, I just found this article, and I don't remember writing it. I think that's a bad sign.

Airplane!

Passengers on a plane are waiting for the flight to leave. The entrance opens and two men walk up the aisle dressed in pilots uniforms. Both are wearing dark glasses. One is using a seeing eye dog and the other is tapping his way up the aisle with a cane.

Nervous laughter spreads throughout the cabin, but the men enter the cockpit, the door closes, and the engines start to life.

The passengers begin glancing nervously, searching for some sign that this is just a little practical joke. None is forthcoming. The plane begins to move down the runway, people at the windows realize that they're headed straight for the water at the edge of the airport. As it begins to look as though the plane will never take off, and instead plow straight into the water, screams of panic fill the cabin. But just at that moment, the plane lifts smoothly into the air. Up in the cockpit, the copilot turns to the pilot and says, "You know, one of these days, they're going to scream to late, and we're all gonna die."

Groan...

A lawyer and his Czechoslovekian friend were camping in a backwoods section of North Dakota. One evening, the two went out to pick berries for the morning breakfast. As they went around the berry patch, gathering blueberries and raspberries in tremendous quantities, along came two huge bears...

The lawyer, seeing the two bears, immediately dashed for cover. His friend, however, was not so lucky, and the male bear reached over and swallowed him whole.

The lawyer ran back to his car, zipped into town as fast has possible, and got the local sheriff. The sheriff grabbed his shotgun and dashed back to the berry patch with the lawyer. Sure encugh, the two bears were still there, "He's in that one!" cried the lawyer pointing to the male, while visions of lawsuits danced in his head.

He just had to save his friend. The sheriff looked at the bears, and leveled his gun, took careful aim ad shot the female.

What!! Screamed the lawyer. " I explicitly said he was in the other!"

"Yup" replied the sheriff. "And would YOU believe a lawyer who told you he Czech was in the male?"

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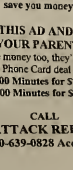
The Accent staff wishes you a happy and safe Thanksgiving holiday.

RUBES* By Leigh Rubin

"Yes, I'm well aware that my nose is pierced, but those are diferent!"



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Top 10 Things to say on a date

1. "I sure like chicken."
2. "What a wonderful day. Did I mention I was in a car accidg on the way over?"
3. "This is so exciting! I've never taken two showers in one week before!"
4. "How about them Reading Phillies? ;)"
5. "That's quite interesting... (yawn)"
6. "I sold my entire 1999 set of baseball cards last week!"
7. "Do you watch Pokemon? I like Pokemon!"
8. "How 'bout them kidneys on eBay?"
9. "Do I smell tacos? I wish we could have tacos!"
10. "let's talk about me!"

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…NAIROBI, Kenya — …rea and Ethiopia have …hed a deal that would … a two-year border war … has cost tens of thou…ds of lives on both sides, …okesman for the Eritre… president said Monday … countries will sign a …ty Dec. 12 in Algiers, the …kesman said. The war …ke out in May 1998 when …rea, which had gained …pendence from Ethiopia … years earlier, moved … what Ethiopians consid…d their territory.

…ERUSALEM — Heavy …eli-Palestinian gunbat… raged early Monday … a holy shrine in Bethle…m, while in the Gaza …ip Yasser Arafat carried …eapon in public for the … time since 1994. The …eli army said Palestinian …men attacked the shrine …own as Rachel's Tomb. At …point, Israeli helicopters …ing at Palestinian gun…en fired two rockets at the …di refugee camp near …thlehem in the West …nk, the army said.

…ISEGRAD, Bosnia-Herze…vina — Forensic experts … Monday exhumed 16 …dies of people killed dur… the Bosnian war from a …d bank of the Drina River … the border with Serbia. …e bodies are believed to … those of Bosnian Mus…ms killed by Serb forces at …e beginning of the 1992-95 …r according to the head of …e Muslim Commission for …ssing Persons. Some …,000 people died during …e war. Over 20,000 remain …ssing, of which 90% are …snian Muslims

…VIENNA, Austria — …stria's compensation …fer for property seized …m Austrian Jews by the …zis will fall short of the …pectations of victims' …wyers, the country's main …gotiator said Sunday. …ter two days of talks with …S. deputy Treasury Secre…ry Stuart Eizenstat, Austri… officials on Friday agreed …make a concrete compen…ion offer on Dec. 21 at a …eting in Washington. At …ke are claims over private …perty seized after Nazi …rmany absorbed Austria … 1938

…BRUSSELS, Belgium … European Union farm …nisters on Monday …proved a six-month ban … animal products in fod…r part of an extraordinary …n to stem growing panic …r mad cow disease. The …n could cost $1.3 billion.

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Thursday will be partly …udy with a high of 40 and …s in the upper 20s.

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Sisters Heather and Kimberly Thielen hug at the Christmas tree lighting Tuesday night. At the Christmas tree lighting, students and community members gathered together to socialize and listen to music while drinking hot chocolate and cider and eating donut holes.

Tuition increasing 5 percent next fall

Southern keeps pace with rising national tuition

By Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

Southern plans to increase tuition for a normal class load of 12-16 hours from $10,700 to $11,250 for the 2001-2002 school year.

The 5.14 percent increase is par for the nation as college tuition and fees increased 5.2 percent at four-year private colleges last year.

"I wish we could keep [tuition costs] the same," said Vinita Sauder, vice president of marketing and enrollment services. "I see students taking out loans and families struggling [to meet tuition costs], but the denomination is increasing wages."

The North American Division will increase denomination wages by 4 percent in June 2001 More than 80 percent of Southern's budget is used for wages

"[Southern] is tuition-driven; that's where the money comes from," said George Babcock, vice president of academic administration. The Southern Union Conference and other contributors make it possible for students to attend Southern at only 75 percent of the actual cost.

Southern has the third-lowest tuition of Adventist colleges in the U.S, as only Oakwood and Southwestern are less expensive. Walla Walla College is the most expensive, with tuition at $14,427 a year. Babcock said that Southern students actually get "more for their money" when compared with other Adventist institutions.

The registration and general fee cost will increase from $340 to $360 next year. Nonexistent seven years ago, the registration and general fee covers the cost of technological infrastructure, such as wiring in the dormitories, Babcock said, adding that the general fee fails to fully cover those expenses.

Dorm rent will increase from $1,936 to $2,040 next

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Library fines increasing next semester

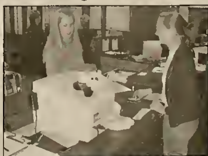
By Kyle Baldwin
Assistant News Editor

"Starting second semester the library will no longer be charging a $ 20 per day fine on overdue books," according to a recent news bulletin put out by McKee Library.

The library will instead send you a notice the day after the book is due, then a non-refundable fine of $10.00 processing fee and a minimum charge of $40.00 or the replacement of the book will be charged to your account at the end of two weeks.

The new policy will apply to both students and faculty alike after a recent decision by the admission council approved the recommended policy from the library, according to Carol Harrison, circulation supervisor for McKee Library. Remarking on the general overdue policy Harrison said, "The only reason we have an overdue policy is to motivate people to do what they really intend to do anyway but sometimes fail to get around to doing."

The recent change in policy according to the Library's official news bulletin is meant to "make your life a little bit easier." The aforementioned news bulletin will be placed in different areas on campus for appropriate notification.



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Tracey Cross checks a book out to Emilie Wilson. Next semester if books are returned late, students may have to pay a fee of $40.

School reports more recent survey results

The mission of Southern Adventist University is to provide quality education in a Christian environment, and at the heart of this mission are the students. To help SAU assess how well it is doing in fulfilling its mission, students are asked periodically to participate in studies regarding their perception of the educational experience. Student participation is greatly appreciated, as it is an extremely valuable source of feedback for the improvement of educational quality.

The November 21 issue of the Southern Accent reported on such a study conducted last spring. However, despite the favorable picture presented by the survey findings, the data used in the report were flawed because of inherent sampling problems, among which were a low return rate and a small, unrepresentative sample.

A more recent survey, conducted in September, consisted of a 64-item questionnaire, querying students about their perception of facilities, services and experiences at SAU. A random selection was made of departmental and school courses at the sophomore, junior and senior levels to ensure that students had adequate experience at Southern to make an informed judgment. Of 460 distributed questionnaires, 384 were returned, which translates into a return rate of over 84%. Students rated each of the items on a scale of 1-4 as follows. 1=definitely no; 2=probably no; 3=probably yes; 4=definitely yes. The higher the mean

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Categories Order Ranked by Means

	Category	# of Items	Mean	Interpretation
1.	Global Perceptions	4	3.28	Definitely Yes
2.	Technology	5	3.14	Probably Yes
3.	Academics	10	3.12	Probably Yes
4	Social-recreational	4	3.09	Probably Yes
5.	Library	5	3.08	Probably Yes
6.	Spiritual	4	3.05	Probably Yes
7.	Policies	3	2 97	Probably Yes
8.	Student Center	4	2.87	Probably Yes
9.	Other Services	3	2.86	Probably Yes
10.	Health	3	2.81	Probably Yes
11.	Residence Halls	12	2 77	Probably Yes
12	Convocations	3	2.46	Probably No

Talge considering using basement rooms for housing

By Rob York
Staff Writer

Due to increasingly cramped conditions in the Talge Hall men's residence hall the remodeling of its basement to house more students is currently under consideration.

A rise in enrollment at Southern this summer forced many students into university housing. This has caused the men's deans to consider new options as far as housing is concerned. Talge Hall's basement, which the deans say could be converted into 10 new rooms and 20 more bed spaces, is being looked at.

Dwight Magers, Southern's Dean of Men, explains the possible remodeling of Talge's basement like this: "We have 19 guys in university housing. By adding the rooms in the basement, we could keep more guys in one place. It would be handier and more convenient. Especially for Negron, since he's in charge of housing."

Dennis Negron, the Associate Dean of Men and the man in charge of Talge's housing remembers when the basement was used for rooms. "When I was in school here from '81-85, the basement was open the first couple of years It was closed down by the fire department because there was only one fire exit." Negron explains that this is

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year, and the monthly Food Service minimum will increase from $145 a month to $150.

The monthly minimum for Food Service was $85 during the 1996-97 school year, a figure that had not changed since 1991. But there are several reasons why the monthly minimum has nearly doubled in the past five years.

"The administration [wants] to keep prices as low as possible," said Dale Bidwell, vice president of financial administration. "Yet we feel that the cost of the meal should cover the operating costs of Food Service."

Food Service was experiencing significant financial losses three years ago. A hired consultant recommended that Food Service raise their minimum.

"[The consultant] felt we were sending a subtle message . . that Food Service sells inferior food because our price is so low," Bidwell said.

Food Service has had to hire more full-time adults because of a shortage of available student workers, Bidwell added.

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, the average cost of tuition outdid the rate of inflation as inflation rose only 3 4 percent last year.

The Administrative Council voted in November 2000 to increase tuition. The council consists of about 24 Southern faculty, including professors, deans and administrators.

The Board of Trustees will meet in February to ratify the budget for the 2001-2002 school year

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score, the more favorable was the perception.

With 2 50 as the midpoint of the rating scale, the students' scores yielded a composite mean of 3.0, indicating a positive perception. The 64 items were divided into 12 different categories. Receiving the highest rating and indicating a strong positive perception were items addressing overall perceptions of SAU (mean=3.28). The remaining categories fell in close succession with each other in the "probably yes" range (a total mean difference of .37), with the exception of the Convocation category, which fell in the "probably no" range (mean=2.46). The highest rated individual items included having computer skills before coming to Southern (mean=3.64), being academically challenged at Southern (mean=3 52), and having knowledgeable faculty (mean=3.47).

Although the findings of this survey suggest that students hold a positive perception of the facilities, services and experiences at SAU, the institution continues to engage in an ongoing, comprehensive program of evaluation of effectiveness, so that it may better serve its students.

This infomation is from the Institutional Research Department.

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not the first option Talge Hall had considered. Originally building on to the men's dorm was under consideration, but the process of adding on would not be done by next fall. "When we realized we could not get the addition by next year, we decided to look into other options. We had some building inspectors over to inspect the basement. Another fire exit will have to be built, and the windows will have to be lowered. In case of fire the students must have access to two fire exits and be able to use the windows to escape." Negron said. Are there any disadvantages to more dorm rooms in the basement? "We'll have to find somewhere else to put storage"

Marty Hamilton is Southern's director of leasehold. He has looked into the basement remodeling, and believes that it "can reasonably be done by fall." Hamilton said, "There is an issue of safe exit in case of fire. We will have to comply with all current fire regulations, which may include changing windows, doors, stairwells and adding another exit." Much of the project is still uncertain, including the price. "The cost will be directly related to what Collegedale's requirements are. I have no idea what the approximate cost would be."

Students and faculty share Christmas with less fortunate

Garrett Nudd
Special to the Accent

While many college-age young people are stressed out by semester-end projects or lured to the malls by post-Thanksgiving and pre-Christmas sales, scores of Southern students took time out of their schedules and money out of their pockets to make shoebox gifts for children they will never meet.

Students and faculty at Southern Adventist University are making Christmas possible for less fortunate children all around the world. Through Southern's involvement in Operation Christmas Child, children who might not otherwise get to experience Christmas will open shoeboxes filled with toys and gifts this holiday season.

Many students got together with friends and made shoeboxes as part of a group. When they realized how easy and inexpensive the project was many students were eager to participate.

"I spend so much money on petty things," said David Wright, junior Religion major. "I figured that if I could afford to do that, I could afford to give a child a decent Christmas."

Wright and a friend combined their efforts in filling a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child.

Soliciting the participation of several area Seventh-day Adventist churches, Southern was able to contribute more than 400 shoeboxes to Samaritan's Purse, the organization that started Operation Christmas Child eight years ago.

"It was great to see the students and faculty come together in support of such a worthy outreach project," said Rob Howell, director of public relations. "We had a good response and a lot of excitement among those who got involved in the project, and we're looking forward to an even bigger response next year."

Commission puts sales ta[x] increase on March ballot

By Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

With a vote of 4-0 the Collegedale City Commissioners voted Monday evening to place a referendum allowing a half cent sales tax increase on the March ballot. If passed, the sales tax will replace a proposed property tax increase of 20 4 percent.

"Based on last year's revenue for Collegedale, the new tax will add $208,000 to the city's budget," said Carol Mason, city recorder.

Included in the vote, the commission decided to send the referendum as is to the election commission and not state a specific purpose for the extra funds. If a purpose was listed, the money would not be used for anything else. The commission members agreed to spread their plans for use of the money by word-of-mouth and through the city's newsletter.

Several suggestions made for the use of the funds were for sewer expansion and for recreation.

"You can't just collect more money without a specific purpose," said John Keplinger, a Collegedale resident.

Mason mentioned that if a specific purpose was included, some people might vote against the tax.

"People who live on Katy Kim Lane are going to vote no to (spending money on) sewers in Misty Valley and those who don't want recreation will vote no," she said.

"I would rather increase public awareness of the issues surrounding th[e] increase and get their [...] than to hamstring ou[...] with this acceptance," Sam Elliot, city attorn[ey]

Commissioner J[...] Eller agreed.

"We need to make [...] clear and straightforw[ard as] possible," he said.

The new tax would [...] prices in local store[s] business in Colleg[edale] including Winn-Dixi[e] others around the Fou[r Cor]ners area.

According to Mayo[r ...]ston Jones the comm[ission] plans will be focus[ed on] gaining public interes[t in] the new tax and prom[ote] the idea as not just a tax, but a tax saving o[...] giving them three mon[ths to] educate the public b[efore] elections.

Faculty study education criter[ia]

Matt Mundall
Staff Writer

General Education requirements were a main topic at the University Senate meeting on Nov 27 when Ruth Liu, director of research and planning voiced concerns about the current statistics of students and how they rate in academic areas.

"There are specific requirements that students must meet in order to obtain their particular major and gain credit to graduate," Liu said.

Liu asked the senate members if and how they knew graduate students met Southern's requirements after leaving the university and beginning work.

Several teachers responded that they knew that their former students had met Southern's goals after leaving the university and were being productive individuals reflecting Southern's values in the workplace.

According to Liu, 10 percent of baccalaureate seniors did not meet the level one math requirements.

The academic profile for level one math is defined as "A student who demonstrates basic number sense and skills in arithmetic operations and relationships and in elementary geometry and measurement. A student at this level can read and interpret information from simple graphs or charts, solve simple equations or evaluate expressions, and solve simple and routine word problems."

Several faculty members suggested that the general education criteria in problem areas should be raised, making an area such as mathematics a more important study in order to graduate. One teacher voiced concern that some students have not had a math class since their junior year in high school.

While the report [...] weakness in several a[...] ic areas could be imp[...] it was noted that Sou[thern's] scores are above aver[age on] the academic profile

Other material dis[cussed] at the meeting inclu[ded a] question and answer [...] with Dr. Gordon [...] Southern's president.

Many of the que[stions] asked regarded the s[...] planning budget and [...] is progressing. [...] responded that [...] increased enrollmen[t ...] year has helped the b[...] but it also increased [...] with more students [...]ing.

Another issue di[scussed] was regarding schol[arships] given to students an[d how] they affect the uni[versity] budget. According to [...] with more students [there] will be more schol[arships]. However, the univers[ity] spent less this year [...] year but is still over th[e bud]get.

A strong job market awaits college seni[ors]

By Leo Rosberg

The job market for the Class of 2001 could be the best liberal-arts graduates have seen in years, according to an annual survey of 380 employers released Thursday. Employment opportunities will expand by an average of 6 to 10 percent during the 2000-1 academic year and as much as 25 percent in some sectors.

"The college labor market is entering its fourth year of frenzied activity," says Philip D. Gardner, director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State University, which conducts the survey, now in its 30th year. "The entire spectrum of college graduates will fare well."

Businesses used the Internet for about 30 percent of their recruiting, but only in 10 to 20 percent of the cases did Web-scouting lead to a hire, according to the survey.

The study indicates a strong demand for engineers and computer-science majors, but the hiring of communications, telecommunications, and business majors will also expand significantly. Industries that expect the largest growth in employment of college graduates include retail sales, professional services like accounting and consulting services, manufacturing, and food and lodging, Mr. Gardner says.

That's good news for Colleen Tvorik, a Michigan State senior majoring in environmental journalism with a specialty in public relations. She's hoping to land a public-relations position at a ski resort.

"It looks like it's a great time to be graduating and looking for a job," she says.

Several factors have bolstered the job market, Mr. Gardner says.

Many vacancies from last year remain unfilled, retirements are speeding up because people took advantage of the value of their retirement funds before the stock market went down, and young employees are leaving their jobs to seek other opportunities.

Employers are looking for graduates who [...] stand the relat[ionship] between business an[d tech]nology, are involved i[n their] communities, and ha[ve] experience, Mr. G[ardner] says.

The largest com[panies,] those with more tha[n ...] employees, are expe[cted to] expand hiring by two[...] Those with fewer th[an ...] employees will hire a[bout] 21 percent above last [year's] level, the study fou[nd. At] midsize companies, [...] to 600 employees, th[ere will] be a decline in hir[ing of] about 15 percent.

Employers who r[espond]ed to the survey sa[id they] hope to keep salary i[ncreas]es at about the level o[f infla]tion, but Mr. G[ardner] expects that their off[ers will] have to grow to attrac[t quali]fied candidates.

Copies of the [...] "Recruiting Trends [...] 2001," can be obtai[ned for] $25 by calling (517[...] 9510, ext. 162.

This story o[riginally] appeared in the Chro[nicle of] Higher Education on [...] Dec. 1, 2000.

Louis Licht/Staff Photo[grapher]

With the semester only a couple weeks from ending, students are spending time studying. These[...] students spend time studying in McKee Library

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Science

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)ut of mind, out of sight

Keith Pulfer
Science Editor

Experimental psycholo-
ts are taking a second
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e to some recent studies.
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stranger.
After he finished receiv-
the directions, the
anger informed the stu-
nt or faculty member that
or she had just taken part
an experiment and asked
e or she had noticed any-
ng different after the men
h the door walked between them.

Why would he ask that question? There were two men that were "strangers" during this experiment. One asked the initial question and then switched places with the other man behind the door, who finished the conversation.

The two men were dressed differently and had different voices and haircuts, yet only fifty percent of the people involved noticed a difference between the two of them.

Daniel Simons, a psychologist at Harvard University who ran this experiment, calls this phenomenon "change blindness." His suggestion? We see much less than we think we do.

Until the early nineties, scientists explained sight as a series of full images captured by our eyes and altered by our brains to create a sense of environment.

Recently, psychologists have considered a new possibility—that we actually don't store an image unless something has changed.

For example, if someone is watching a person walk by, the background is staying the same and only the person is changing. Therefore the only parts of the image that are changed are those which have changed.

According to philosopher Daniel Dennett, this makes sense because creating a completely new image for every instant of vision would demand valuable computing power from the brain.

More psychologists are beginning to think that our minds ignore visual details that don't seem to be relevant to what we are looking for.

This would explain the number of people nearly hit while crossing the road—drivers are not visually concentrating on pedestrians, they're watching road signs, traffic and markings.

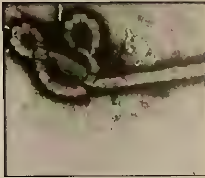
The bottom line of these experiments is that humans perceive much less visually than previously thought, which could have a significant impact on the way we think about vision.

Testimonies of eyewitnesses may be questioned since they may have missed vital details or mentally filled them in later. This phenomenon may explain a lot of the mysteries that have been lurking in the psychological world.

Look for some interesting experiments in the future.

Ebola vaccine saves monkeys

Keith Pulfer
Science Editor



Dr. Gary Nabel, director of the Dale and Betty Bumpers Vaccine Research Center at the National Institutes of Health announced in the latest issue of Nature that he has developed a vaccine that may prevent death caused by Ebola in monkeys.

Ebola is a virus that has been known to infect African villages, killing up to ninety percent of the inhabitants. Its claim to fame is the ferocity with which it attacks.

Victims' bodies are given little time to react before the virus causes severe pain, high fevers and widespread internal bleeding.

Scientists' jobs are made difficult because they don't know where the virus stays in nature between human outbreaks.

Dr. Nabel is already working on developing a human equivalent of the vaccine.

Using such a vaccine in humans will not be easily accepted, according to Paul Parren, assistant professor at the Scripps Research Institute, in La Jolla, Calif.

Since the vaccine will probably be made up of actual Ebola viruses that have been killed or weakened, the risk is substantial for a human recipient—specifically those who may be involved in the testing process.

More studies are on the way to test the vaccine against each of the virus' three strains and to determine how the vaccine works.

The researchers will also increase the concentration of virus in the blood to better simulate actual conditions. Smaller concentrations were used for the initial testing

This may be the answer that researchers have been looking for to prevent a severe outbreak of this horrible virus

While a few monkeys may have to die in the process, eventually Ebola may not be a big concern to people, especially those in the African regions.

Hollywood will have to find another killer virus to use in all of its scripts from now on—and no more "Outbreak" re-runs on CBS. Bummer.

J. Virginia lab studies sleep habits

Lauren Bertini
Cavalier Daily

(U-WIRE)–Pulling an all-
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Sleep loss also could be
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Inside the lab, there are
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ntain a bed and equipment used to measure the sleep patterns of the patient. Two technicians watch the data screens for the four rooms. Each patient is monitored during the eight-hour session for changes in the brain waves to detect sleep, oxygen levels in the body and eye movement. Technicians search for data that may detect apnea events, which occur when the patient stops breathing for more than 10 seconds.

When analyzing studies, the doctors look for four main disorders They include sleep apnea, narcolepsy, restless legs syndrome and abnormalities in brain waves.

Sleep apnea, the most common sleeping disorder, is caused by the collapse of the airway during sleep. Breathing stops and oxygen levels drop until levels become dangerously low enough to cause the brain to automatically awake the person.

While not common, the former two disorders are still diagnosed in the lab. Sufferers of restless legs syndrome will constantly flail their legs around in ther sleep until it wakes them. And abnormalities in brain waves may also be a symptom of another serious sleep disorder.

"Twenty-three percent of men and 10 percent of women stop breathing over five times an hour," said Dr. Paul Suratt, medical director for the sleep lab. "80 percent of those who have it have not been diagnosed or treated."

The continual reawakening throughout the night leads to problem sleepiness and a lower quality of life.

The sleep lab also diagnoses narcolepsy, which is marked by excessive and uncontrollable attacks of daytime deep sleepiness But sleep deprivation is not the cause of this. Narcoleptics who get a decent eight or nine hours of rest may suddenly fall asleep in the middle of class, at lunch or even on the highway.

Sleep lab technicians put possible narcoleptics to a nap test, in which a person has five two-hour naps spaced two hours apart during the day. Normal sleepers will take 13 minutes to fall asleep and never experience REM sleep in these naps. Narcoleptics, on the other hand, take zero to two minutes to sleep and two or more of these naps go through REM. Because this uncontrollable deep sleep can happen any time, the sleep lab treats narcolepsy by prescribing stimulants such as Ritalin.

"One of the greatest things (about working in the sleep lab) is being able to help people and give them a better quality of life."

– Dr. Paul Suratt, medical director

Although consequences of sleep apnea still are unknown, studies suggest people can die from it. It also can cause high blood pressure, heart attacks and stroke.

Proper diagnosis and treatment drastically can improve the life of the patient. To relieve sleep apnea, surgery is available, but is often ineffective or invasive. An alternative solution is nasal continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) therapy, which works by pushing air under the obstruction in the lungs, thus keeping the airway free. The patient wears a sealed mask over the nose that is connected to a machine that pumps air through the nasal passages. Though cumbersome, the CPAP is non-invasive and usually is effective. It is the most common relief prescribed by the University's sleep lab, because it easily and effectively improves the patient's sleep.

"One of the greatest things (about working in the sleep lab) is being able to help people and give them a better quality of life," Suratt said

The experts at the lab currently are searching for easier treatments and sleep studies, Suratt said. The goal is the least amount of inconvenience possible. The main research being done at the sleep lab is in the second year of a four-year grant from National Institutes of Health. It studies sleep apnea in children and its associations with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). So far, only 180 children have been tested. The link they are studying is between ADHD and sleep apnea. They are looking for evidence that sleep deprivation caused by sleep apnea also will cause the hyperactivity in ADHD.

In the meantime, CPAP is restoring a high quality of life for many people. After his first night using the device, Howard Beierle, a patient treated for sleep apnea at the University's sleep lab, "got up, (and) felt completely refreshed." The improvement in sleep quantity and sleep quality is so dramatic, a patient's "whole lifestyle changes," he said.

Although the CPAP may be cumbersome, its effects are a marked improvement.

"Just to be able to be awake .. all these other things are immaterial. The end result is what is important," Beierle said.

Tea good for all occasions

Jennifer Meese
The State News

EAST LANSING, Mich. (U-WIRE) – As the weather gets colder, enjoying a cup of tea becomes more appealing. A growing variety of teas - from strawberry to licorice to Pollen Season to PMS - offer different flavors, scents and health benefits for the increasing thirst for tea.

Michigan State University theater graduate student Tom Lynch, who often studies at coffee shops, has noticed more and more people drinking tea during the past couple of years. The coffee-lover credits the increase in the tea-drinking population in part to the expanding number of herbal teas.

"And tea is more global," he said, adding that he started drinking the beverage in Japan when he lived there three years ago.

"In Japan, I got used to drinking tea everywhere," he said. "It's a lot more common over there: You could get it out of a vending machine."

When he got back to the United States, Lynch picked up his old habit of drinking coffee most of the time. However, he usually tries to switch to tea after 5 p.m.

"I drink mostly the herbal stuff, so I can go to bed on time," he said.

Herbal tea has many benefits, Snyder said.

"It's a good alternative for people that want to get off coffee or pop and it can have good side effects, such as calming you down or helping you battle a cold or helping your throat," he said.

East Lansing resident Sam Reddy sipped lemon zing herbal tea while studying Tuesday night at Espresso Royale Caffe, 547 E. Grand River Ave.

"It seems like there's a wider selection nowadays of herbal teas offered," he said, glancing at the cafe's menu on the wall.

Beaner's Gourmet Coffee, 270 W. Grand River Ave., has recently added more herbal teas to its menu

"There are very distinct kinds, whereas before it was pink or strawberry," said shift leader Carolyn Manney, a communication senior

Tea can even be used for slimming down. General Nutrition Center, a health food and supplement store, sells dieter's tea in regular, lemon, cranberry and cinnamon flavors.

The main ingredient is senna, an herb used as a laxative, so many people buy dieter's tea for laxative purposes rather than dieting, employees said.

One of the most popular teas nowadays is chai, an Indian spiced milk tea, Manney said.

"Chai is really big - everyone gets that," she said. "A lot of people freaked out to try it, but it's really, really popular."

Chai comes in many flavors, from chocolate to Masala spice to Gujarati.

Another new favorite is green tea, a tea with dozens of varieties touted for their health benefits.

"A lot of people ask about green tea now," Manney said.

Beaner's makes a peppermint chamomile tea especially for those feeling under the weather.

"It's supposed to make you feel better," said shift leader Amber Paulen, a child development junior. "I only suggest it for sick people "

Aside from health benefits, many people just like to drink tea for the taste - or tastes. With hot and cold options, fruity flavors and different textures, teas cater to all kinds of taste buds.

Lynch has tried lemon tea and tea zing - a cold tea with a texture similar to a slushee - in mango and berry flavors.

"It's pretty good: You still have a little bit of the normal tea taste, but it's fruity so it's not icky," he said.

Reddy has tried lemon zing, apricot and Earl Grey teas. Earl Grey is a popular English tea.

Although he likes trying out different flavors, Reddy usually only drinks tea while studying.

"I get it off and on, usually when I go out to cafes," he said.

For those lacking time to go out and get a cup or pot of tea, ready-to-drink teas in cans and bottles, such as Arizona teas and Lipton iced teas, can be found in grocery store aisles.

"I think the teas like Arizona teas have really turned on the heat," Lynch said. "When I started college in '89, I never saw tea in the beverage section of the grocery store.

"America wants a lot of energy, and (bottled and canned teas) are the fad."

But the market for tea has always been good, Snyder said.

"It's a pretty good spread," he said. "Older people would drink more of the teas The age for drinking teas for the main market would be middle-aged to older."

For younger people, the low price of tea - especially in comparison to coffee - is probably a big draw, Lynch said.

"It's a little bit cheaper - you can get more water and keep using the tea bag," he said.

Reddy said the small cost is what appeals to him.

As he poured himself some tea, he said he has not noticed many people doing the same.

"But it's kind of hard to tell if they just get a cup and they don't get a pot," he said.

Although the choices have become numerous - caffeinated or not, flavored or not, loose or bagged - many tea drinkers have a preferred tea, and their taste doesn't change, Paulen said.

"It's the same," she said. "Especially the Earl Grey people. They tend to stay the same."

And unless people are trying to end a coffee addiction, they usually don't switch between tea and coffee, Manney said.

"Tea drinkers are tea drinkers. That's what they always get," she said.

The science section is looking for writers. If you are interested, contact Janelle Wasmer at jcwasmer@southern.edu or Keith Pulfer at kapulfer@southern.edu.

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Chattanooga events for the week of 12/7-12/14

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Ask Sholly

Real answers for real questions

Dear Sholly:

Before I became a Christian I was involved with a non-Christian. It was a good relationship but as I have come to know God I realize that some of the things we were doing were not acceptable. I still love this person deeply but there is no desire to embrace any Christian. I do not want to be "unequally yoked," or, if I do get married, to bring up my children in a divided home. For this reason, we have been growing apart and I really want to make a clean break in the relationship. Because we have several years invested in the relationship, it is very difficult to make that final break. Any suggestions on how I can do this without hurting him?

Divided Love

Dear Divided Love:

Sit your boyfriend down and tell him the truth. Impress on him the importance of your newfound faith. Let him know that you will always be there for him except in this situation you feel that if the relationship progresses there will be conflicts because of the changes in your lifestyle. Thank him for the good times and wish him all the best in life. Try not to sound to pious or condescending. Try to use "I" statements and not "you." For example, "This is how I feel..." avoid all the cliches that start with "because you wouldn't change.." these statements will put the blame on him and may lead to hurt feelings. Regardless of how you do this, there is going to be some disappointment and possible anger and frustration. It is a form of loss and both of you will be grieving the loss of the relationship. Take the time to do this. Good luck and I will be praying for you.

Sholly

magnetic poetry

o
sacrifice
of my
heart
there is no peace like you
i see eternity as you dance over me
i learn to celebrate brokenness
you heal the secret worry
joy wakes softly
from vast night
brilliant blaze melt my present
i desire to be a wild fire
bellowing through the wood
embrace away the dirt
speak a word that makes
morning from dark sky
listen he comes
and i am changed
longing to do his asking
daughter born of god
by dawn morrow

Coming next week...

-More of the same old stuff.
-Some new stuff.
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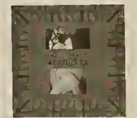
Katy Bowser: Laryngitis

There's an irony to the title of this album, Katy Bowser's incredible vocal range is the first thing you'll notice upon listening to Laryngitis. Passionate vocals float across a curtain of

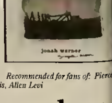


piano, guitars, organ and carefully-placed percussion to create a conglomeration of folk-rock, country, and sweet chocolatey ballads. Katy's proclaimed interest in uniting sounds with words finds inspiration as she swings on her porch or clacks the keys of her 1920's typewriter. Her musical personality and talent seem to span not only genres, but decades as well.

Recommended for fans of: Ani DiFranco, Sarah McLachlan, Amy Ray (Indigo Girls), Joni Mitchell, Tori Amos

Jonah Werner: Simple Man

One listen to Jonah Werner's earthy vocals and strong melodies, laced with two and three-part harmonies, showcases his merit and talent as s writer and storyteller. Appropria titled "Simple Man", this time album lends testimony to Jon serene Colorado roots as well as stunning capacity for crafting lyrics from life's simplest moments most commonplace experien Through Jonah's musicianship and contributions of such artists as T Pettis and Allen Levi, tales are told truths communicated through try-influenced folk, rich with the playful tunes of guitar interwoven harmonica, piano, mandolin, banjo a host of other masterfully pl stringed instruments. This al throbs with passion and sinc reflection and spiritual depth, invokes a realism which strips do the essentials the themes and topi tackles.



Recommended for fans of: Pierce tis, Allen Levi

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Too bad the confederacy lost

By Isaac Farley
Staff Writer

Does anyone actually read these articles? Does anyone ever feel out of place in the South? These two questions have been waging a very bloody battle within the boundaries of my own head for at least the last ten minutes. It appears that the latter is gaining strength, as I look around, so I will focus my attention on that.

Recently, in my history class, we have tackled the issue of slavery during the 19th century in the United States. Anyone with actual emotions, a heart or a brain realizes that slavery was a part of our history that the majority of Americans would like to take an eraser to, but apparently some rowdy members of this nation thought it to be a positive practice. I am not one to tell others how to think, but please, either stop thinking along these lines or stop thinking all together (which might have already occured).

A man that supports slavery is not merely a racist, he is anti-family, anti-love and anti-life. A description of life during the 19th century may be the only real way to open the eyes of what I like to call "anti-humans".

Slavery during the nineteenth century, in the United States of America, was a way of life, a struggle, a period of waiting for death to take its refreshing grip on the slave and breath life back into a miserable, lifeless body. Life was truly Hell, and death was the only certain escape from such a loveless system. Mother, Father, son and daughter were words used only by slaves; to slaveholders, slaves were only property. Slaves worked 16 hour days and mothers only spent the first three weeks of their babies' lives with them, after that time the children were cared for by young slave girls under the age of ten. Motherhood was stolen from the slave women, and children weren't allowed to have real mothers. Mothers weren't mothers, fathers weren't fathers, and life was not living. The word "life" in the time of the slave, was not the same for slaves as it was for the slaveholders.

Slavery in the United States was nothing more than a system designed to turn a race of humans into mindless animals. Applying slave living with humane terms like families, mothering and children is completely inaccurate, because slaves were designed to be property and nothing more. The terms mother, father and family were destroyed by white slave owners, but the power and strength of man to love in an environment devoid of love was a victory not only for slaves, but for humanity as a whole. You can deny a man freedom, but you cannot deny a man love and hope, and that is what makes humanity victorious over hate in every instance–whether it be in life or death.

For those of you still reading, you may be wondering about the correlation between your pretty December afternoon and slavery of the 19th century. I find it helpful to apply history to my day-to-day life. When I hear somone say that this world would be better had the Confederacy won the war or when I see a flag of the Confederacy ("rebel" flag) flying high, I freez suddenly realize that s of my neighbors a blessed with proper b flow to their heads, a those of you who think are, it is always helpf stop and let reality s you in the face. Some is good to take a look a you, take a deep breath realize that living in the century is a real bles Perfection will never accomplished in this w but life in the United today is better than E hope it continues for m my peers and my chil for eternity. Hate exists breeds, hate has no aries, so abandon as as possible and join th tors.

Now to address my question. If you read and understand the co of e-mail please reply anything at all. If you ideas or just want to questions, please do so.

send thoughts via aaronaround@yahoo

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FaithXpress

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Whoa! God used me?

Scott Fogg
GUEST WRITER

"I just had to come meet ...! You're the best thing ...ce sliced bread to my ...ts!"

I didn't know what to say, I just smiled at the mid-aged woman who was ...ing my hand. Her two ...ghters, ages 9 and 12, ...just sat through a Sab-...h School I had been ...ed to lead. As the lunch ...r continued, I contem-...ed what this woman had ...d to me.

...liced bread has impact-... my life in such a huge ..., that it was hard for me ...onceive how I could actu-... become as important as ...f not better! Surely there ...s a reasonable explana-...n for this.

I began dissecting the ...bath School:

Had I delivered a power-gripping sermon? No, I just held a small discus-...n, focusing on five main ...nts of the story. Did I ...er an interesting story, ... full of miracles and ...rventions of God (in ...er words, one that typi-...y appeals to pre-teens)? ... I covered the most ...ged-out and misunder-...od story, the one of Job. ... I lower myself to their ...l and talk in 9- and 12-...r-old gibberish? No, I ...ed to them like they ...re normal human beings, ...e they were my friends' ...n college (and either ...'re incredibly mature or ...never mind).

So where did I go right? ...t did I do to deserve this ...or that is usually only held by Wonder Bread?

Then my little dim bulb brightened. It hadn't been me in there, talking to the kids, it had been God. I had prayed on Friday night for God to use me, to help me teach those kids. Obviously, He had answered my prayers.

Speaking of answered prayers, how else could you explain my even being here in Belfast? I'm supposed to be a sophomore at Southern, not a missionary in Ireland!

How did I get here? Oh yeah, that excruciatingly long plane ride with the little seats, little aisles, little sleep, little bags of peanuts and little, artificial smiles from the flight attendants (okay, actually, they were really nice). But why? I'm not a theology student (though I am single). I had never preached a sermon (though I did on Nov. 25, 2000 – my first! Woo-hoo!) What did I do to get over here?

Oh yeah, I prayed. I handed my life over to Christ. I said, "Lord, there are only 272 Adventists in all of Ireland. Send me, please. No, I shouldn't pray for that. Send the person You know would do the job You need done. Just let Your will be done. Whether it's me or Joe Blow. But I'm here and ready."

I had approached the CARE office full of fire and passion, ready to tackle the tallest of mountains . . . only to find out there were "no open positions in Ireland," or Scotland for that matter. So I prayed again.

"God? Do you only want 272 Adventists in all of Ireland? I mean, that's like only one third of "The 3rd" on its worst day! Show me Your will, please!"

That night, after work and school, I found a message from Sherrie Norton on my voice mail. She said, "Scott, five minutes after you left my office asking about Ireland, someone called from Ireland. They need a missionary. Do you want to go?"

Uh – lemme think – yeah!

Six months later, I was flying into the Dublin airport, via Amsterdam, via Detroit, via Louisville.

My point? If God can use me, He can use you. I'm nothing special, though everyone claims otherwise. For the past four years, I have spent my free time reading about the Scottish Wars for Independence and the Easter Rebellion of 1916. I'm addicted to caffeinated soft drinks, chocolate, Taco Bell and Monty Python (nudge nudge, wink wink).

And here I am, sitting in Dublin, going, "Whoa, God's using me!" I guess that's what I get for putting my life in His hands.

It's been one exciting ride, and I've only been over here for three months. I can't wait to see how God uses me next. I'm actually becoming as versatile as sliced bread!

"Yet, O Lord, You are our Father. We are the clay, You are the potter; we are all the work of your hand."
-Isaiah 64:8

Gimme an e-mail sometime at scottish.fogg@scotland.com

A prodigal daughter

Debbie Battin
STAFF WRITER

Tears streamed down her face as she drove up I-75.

Sandy Townsend, a freshman at Southern, was lost in a world full of pain and uncertainty. Looking back at her life only brought more tears. She was born into a broken home carrying all the emotional baggage and hurt that comes with it.

"I had a restless heart," she said.

In the story of the prodigal son found in Luke 15, the younger son wanted his inheritance. He thought that friends, wealth and entertainment could make him happy. He had a "restless heart".

Just like the prodigal son, Sandy Townsend was looking for happiness.

She had plans to move to Mexico with her boyfriend, and had long since given up any principles her church-going childhood had given her. Sandy remembers going to church as a child with her grandmother. She always liked the singing.

Sandy's sister moved away from home to live with her boyfriend. Soon after that Sandy was tagging along with her sister to parties, still looking for something to distract her from the emptiness of life.

It was her sister who first introduced Sandy to alcohol. It was a 50/50 in a 32oz. cup.

"My sister went to a lot of parties, and she was very consumed by drugs and alcohol. I never thought I would go as far as she did," Townsend said.

After that first drink, Sandy knew why her sister drank. It was a painkiller. It didn't seem like such a bad thing after a while, and Sandy frequently went to parties with her sister, claiming she only went to "watch out" for her.

One night she had been drinking, and her sister was smoking cocaine.

"She dared me to take a hit from the joint. I was too drunk to make the right decision. I remembered a promise I had made to myself that I would not do drugs, but I did," Townsend said.

Drinking really was a painkiller for her. However, the pain always came back, and the longings in her heart were not satisfied. Sinking into depression, she had nowhere to turn.

At this point the opportunity to come to Southern was arranged by her Uncle Sam.

She came to Southern, and this is where God began to break through to her with hope and healing. Her Uncle Sam was a very strong influence on her life and encouraged her to have a personal relationship with God.

She tried to read the King James Version of the Bible, but it never made sense and she struggled to get past Genesis.

One night she cried out to God, "God, I believe there is a heaven, and I believe there is a hell. I don't want to go to hell! Please help me!"

"That day I had finally reached that point where there was nowhere else to turn to but God. I was so desperate yet didn't know how to find God. I think that day was the birth of my relationship with God," Townsend said.

She began to attend church regularly and asked many questions.

It wasn't all smooth sailing from there. She still had pain and she still felt lost. She looked back on her past and felt condemnation. God was working on her heart and showing her His perfect love that casts away all fear, and the Holy Spirit was giving her peace.

She found the verse in Romans 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit."

"I thought a lot about what "great" things I can do for God. And of course I thought about all the great things God can do FOR ME. But then I realized that although that is part of it, God is all about love, and what He wants most is a relationship with me personally," Townsend said.

Sandy Townsend had a restless heart and she needed to come back to God. But remember—God has a restless heart too.

Contributed photo
Sandy Townsend turned to God to heal her restless heart.

Prayer of Jabez

A small BIG prayer

Billy Gager
FAITH XPRESS EDITOR

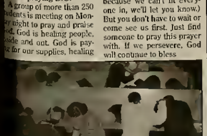
Now Jabez was more honorable than his brothers, and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain." And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying,
"Oh, that you would bless me indeed,
and enlarge my territory,
that Your hand would be with me,
and that You would keep me from evil,
that I may not cause pain!" (1 Chron 4:9-10).

God delivered this message to our campus two years ago. It is a simple prayer, but it yields extraordinary results. In fact, it is downright dangerous. Many of us have been going to the river of blessing with a cup. But now some of us are diving in! Many of us have been praying small prayers. But now some of us are letting go of our boundaries for God and praying BIG.

A group of more than 250 students is meeting on Monday night to pray and praise God. God is healing people, inside and out. God is paying for our supplies, healing families, taking away pride and spreading His grace. If you haven't ever seen the beginning of revival, this is what it looks like. Revival and transformation need not be expected without united, concerted prayer.

I challenge the more than 150 prayer groups to be consistent and committed. Prayer takes perseverance. When converting a marsh into usable land, trucks dump rocks and sand into the water. Most of this goes unnoticed until the last loads appear. But even though the final load is all that seems to have effect, all of the fill is necessary. In the same way, all of our prayers are part of God's answer, even though the first ones seem to go unnoticed.

Persevere in prayer. And if you want to lead or join a prayer group on campus and ask God's special blessing, come on Monday nights to Pierson Chapel in the Religion building. (If we move because we can't fit everyone in, we'll let you know.) But you don't have to wait or come see us first. Just find someone to pray this prayer with. If we persevere, God will continue to bless.



Louis Licht/Staff Photographer
...ayer groups have met all over campus, following the vespers talk on ...e Prayer of Jabez by Dr. Morda...

What's the BIGGEST thing you want God to do for you?

"I want God to be my friend."
–Stephanie Van Wart
Freshman, nursing

"I want God to give me discernment to know what to do with my life."
–Rechel Lombard
Junior, behavioral science

"I want to have unconditional love for people, to be forgiving and to live sinlessly"
--Shannon Lozano
Freshmen, music

"I want God to give me more faith so I will be less stressed!"
--Paul Yi
Senior, nursing

"I want God to be so real in my life that I can hear His voice to walk as close to Him as Enoch."
–Jake Mertins
Senior, theology

Poll compiled by Billy Gager

License to kill

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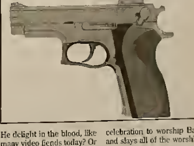

Another greedy villain plots to destroy the world and amass a fortune. This time a traitorous double agent, 006, uses his connections and sly spy skills to acquire a satellite that emits a magnetic laser. Of course, the only person able to save the world (and win that special girl) is 007. Thus, he is given a license to kill.

Bond actually doesn't glory in the killing. At one precarious point, when 006 is proudly taunting his supposed advantage over Bond, he poses a question something like. "How do you live with the memory of all the people you've killed? Or do you try to wipe it all away in the arms of so many women?"

It is obvious that Bond did not like the killing, but he did it "for England."

In the Bible, there are many narratives of Bond-rivaling violence. Of special note for its gore and action, is the story of Jehu in II Kings 9-10.

A prophet anoints Jehu to wipe out all the descendants of Ahab. Ahab and his wife, Jezebel, led Israel into Baal worship (a storm and fertility god) and killed many of God's prophets.

Jezebel had filled her "cup" of iniquity and obviously hardened her heart against any repentance. So Jehu quickly unleashes his furious anger and skilled intrigue upon Ahab's house to fulfill God's prophecies of judgment.

He is given a license to kill. But how can God endure such killing? Does He delight in the blood, like many video fiends today? Or does He have another reason?

Throughout the narrative a question is posed to Jehu, four times in all. Right before Jehu is about to ravage the enemy, someone asks him, "Is there peace?"

This word "peace" (in Hebrew, "shalom") can mean completeness, wholeness and even fulfillment.

When King Joram asks him this question, Jehu responds, "How can there be peace as long as the idolatry and witchcraft of your mother, Jezebel, are all around us?" (9.22).

Peace could not exist as long as sin was left unchecked in the land. There is no peace without punishment.

When King Joram flees, Jehu shoots him through the heart with an arrow. The fleeing king of Judah, Ahaziah, is fatally wounded.

Jehu has Jezebel thrown out a window, her blood splattering on the wall and her body being run over by the horses and chariot.

Jehu has 70 sons of Ahab beheaded and piles their heads up outside the city gate. Then he holds a mock celebration to worship Baal and slays all of the worshippers.

Although Jehu's extreme measures can be questioned, God commends him for doing all that God had in mind to do to Ahab's house. So why is such violence in the Bible?

James Bond lives a violent life of murder and deception. He does not do it to glorify in gore, but for the safety and prosperity of his beloved nation, England.

God does not glory in the death of those he loves, but where sin is unpunished, there is no peace.

Hanging on to sin is actually choosing death over life. Punishment of sin is the necessary preview of eternal peace.

This is the paradox of the cross. To give us peace and completeness, God punished Jesus Christ for our sins.

Are there sins in your life you would like to go back to the punishment of the cross? Do you long for wholeness and peace? Let us not glory in the gore, but remember the grand purpose behind God's punishment. There is no peace without it.

EDITORIALS

Student center needs renovation

Southern's student center provides a place for college students to catch up on world news by watching CNN, playing a game or two of pool, racing motorcycles via Sony Playstation and even doing a little studying.

In fact, except for the addition of modern entertainment features such as the video games, the student center of today is much the same as five, 10, even 20 years ago, according to Mary Lou Rowe, student services administrative assistant.

Rowe said she began working at Southern in 1976 and she believes the student center was last remodeled in 1977 or 1978. Since then, the "mountains" have been recarpeted once, she said.

Kari Shultz, director of student life and activities, said she does not believe there are any pending plans for renovating the student center.

"There are other projects that are more important," she said.

Shultz added that students have not come to her office to make suggestions for the student center.

"No one's ever come in here to say 'We want this,' or 'We don't want that,'" she said.

Some students, however, would like to see changes in the student center

Mindi Rahn, junior history major, said she would like "more comfortable chairs and [to] get rid of the make-out cubbyholes."

The student center is frequented by dozens of students every day. The basic structure and set-up is at least 22 years old, and is recarpeted very infrequently.

While it is understandable that other more immediate projects may require primary attention, it seems that the student center is badly in need of an update.

Funds for projects such as building renovations may be needed in other areas But perhaps student association (SA) surplus funds could be set aside in the next few years for remodeling the student center. This would be an appropriate expenditure of funds earmarked for the direct benefit of Southern's students.

If you have a suggestion for changes in the student center, bring your ideas to your senator or an SA officer. After 22 years, the student center is more than ready for a face-lift.

You can help make the Accent better

Newspapers count on reader feedback. It's how we improve the quality and quantity of our content.

We appreciate both the positive and negative feedback we've received this year. Positive feedback gives us the encouragement we need to keep going with this project week after week. Negative feedback lets us know what we can improve to make the Accent even better for you, the reader.

Letters to the editor are a common form of feedback that lets us know if we are doing our job of keeping you informed.

And so we welcome and encourage your letters to the editor.

But, there is only so much a letter can do. It can tell us what areas the writer thinks we should improve.

But that's it.

Letters don't help us improve the weak areas of the newspaper.

Thre is only so much a college newspaper can do with its limited staff and limited budget. So, we rely on the help of the students.

We have received letters this year in which the writers felt very strongly about what areas of the Accent need improving

But please, don't just stop with writing a letter. We can always use help with writing and page design.

And so we call on you to help wherever you can. If you have a specialty in a certain area, stop by the office and offer to write a story. If you know Quark XPress or Photoshop, give us a call and offer to help with page design or photo editing

We call on science majors to submit articles for the science section.

We call on computer majors to submit articles for the technology section.

We call on physical education majors to submit stories for the sports section.

We call on journalism majors to submit stories for the news section and for English majors to submit stories for the features section.

We call on religion majors to submit stories for the religion section.

There are many ways in which the Accent can improve to be even better than it already is.

And there are many ways in which you, the student body, can help us reach that goal.

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Letters to the Editor

The Accent is improving

Dear Cady Van Dolson and the delightful Accent Staff,

I just wanted to send you a note of gratitude. I think The Southern Accent is well established and the quality of writing is improving. I also wanted to respond to a letter to the editor sent in by Denise Edwards. I thought she took a cheap shot at your student paper. It's funny that she did that because I've never seen an article by her in the newspaper. Maybe I overlooked it. Anyways, I just wanted to tell your staff to keep up the good work and continue to keep the student voice alive.

Sincerely,
Ginger Lowe
freshman mass communications major

What happened to a Christ-centered college campus?

Dear Editor,

I like reading our school paper and enjoyed the latest issue. The front page article about the Pirates of Penzance was well done and good coverage was given to the School of Visual Art for the statue they will provide the school. I thought it showed a good spirit among Adventist schools to feature the PUC students fundraising. The features page was helpful and interesting about getting to know the accent staff. I really appreciated the Faith Xpress page which highlighted the Christian spirit on our campus

The positive was definitely in control of this paper. Just one addition do I have...front page - How well is Southern meeting students' expectations? You had student centeredness but left out Christ centeredness..the most important question for an Adventist school.

I wish all the Accent a Happy Holiday Season,

Merlin Wittenberg
Director of Educational Technology Services

Student to be commended for work

Dear Editor,

We would like to acknowledge the outstanding contribution being made by one Southern student in the community of Chattanooga. Danny Goodge has been working as an intern for the District Public Defender's Office in Chattanooga for nearly six months. His work has been exceptional; but, one thing he has done deserves public appreciation.

Several months ago we asked Danny to help us with one of our clients charged with a double homicide. Specifically, we asked Danny to visit our client regularly and to establish a relationship with him that would assist us in our representation. Danny has faithfully visited our client and even befriended him. The extent of Danny's caring for this client became clear to us recently when we learned that on the day of our client's daughter's birthday, Danny, on his own initiative, made arrangements with the Hamilton County Jail (never an easy task) for a special visitation for our client with his daughter.

Danny's thoughtfulness and humanity meant a great deal to us and even more to our client. Thank you, Danny. And, on behalf of the District Public Defender's Office, we commend you for your excellent work and service on behalf of our clients.

Sincerely yours,
Myrlene R. Marsa and Christian J. Coder
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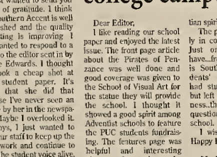

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Eyes and ear

Causing casual anarchy and, well, not much e

By Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

Why is there a large bubble bath where that Lynn Wood fountain used to be? What a perfect prank that was. Soap in water equals bubbles Hmm. Whoever you are, you are a shame to college students everywhere. Next time try something a little more original.

Well, it's the last mile of our semester. I think I reflect the sentiments of everyone when I say "Ugh."

One of the reasons I feel so "Ugh" is this: I am on CP (otherwise known to non-Southerners as "Citizenship Probation"). Yes. I have no excuse. My ONLY complaint is this: does the punishment fit the crime? Is it entirely logical to disallow weekend leaves for one month because the student attended eight–rather than nine–worships?

To speak in crude metaphors, it is as if the deans dangle nice treats above our noses–weekend leaves and later curfews–so that they may coerce us into better performances Hmm.

I challenge the deans with this: give us freedom and we will show you that we deserve it. Learn to let go and you will see us turn into the adults you want us to be.

Disgruntled about my new state of probation (as a citizen of Southern? Do they issue us passports?), I return to my room and begin to read my Southern handbook. I always read the Southern handbook when I am disgruntled. I read the Dress Code section, rule #3: "Hair clean and neatly styled. Radical styles must be avoided."

So, Darren Wasyliuk, green-haired student, has anyone talked to you a your hair yet?

"No, not really," he sa

So, Matt Barclay, p haired student, has any talked to you about your yet?

"No. Darren and I behind Gordon Bietz to in the CK and he never a word."

Hmm. Enough said.

Continuing with theme of The Inconsis cies of Southern, I see a legedale Academy stu riding his skateboard on Promenade. Eddie A Director of Campus S stops him and tells him he's not allowed on Promenade. Interesting

So, Eddie Avant, Ca Safety Director, why did stop him?

"Skateboarding and line skating are not allo on campus, unless th wearing proper safety ment."

So, what is proper equipment

"Helmet, elbow p wrist pads and knee pad

So, Mr. Avant, is bike ing allowed on campus?

"Yes."

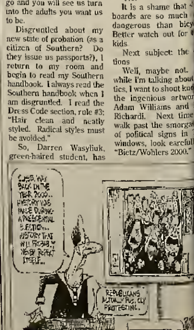
So, do bike-riders proper safety equip too?

"No."

It is a shame that boards are so much dangerous than bicy Better watch out for kids

Next subject: the tions

Well, maybe not. while I'm talking about tics, I want to shout kud the ingenious artwor Adam Williams and Richardi. Next time walk past the smorgas of political signs in windows, look carefull "Bietz/Wohlers 2000."



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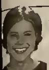

Harmony Tillerson

You ring the doorbell. ing Ring

Is the deskworker LIVE, or what? You've een locked up in the library r hours. Your eyes are urning. You have a big ink ark on your khakis. And sh darn it, you're tired. nally, after standing in the ld impatiently, the front ors to the dorm open and u are allowed to enter.

You drag yourself stairs It's late. Your roomate is asleep and you issed three important one calls because, why? ecause you spent your only e night in ANOTHER oup meeting.

Group projects. Ugh. You ll your eyes in disgust at e thought of the slackers u got stuck with.

You stub your toe climb g into bed. Ouch. You ose your eyes, think happy thoughts of the upcoming holidays and . . .

Maaa! Maaa! Maaa!

It's the alarm. But not just any alarm. It's your roommate's alarm, at 5:45 in the morning. Sigh.

And so the day begins. To make the morning a little less harsh, you crank up some Jingle Bell Rock, plug in the Christmas lights and brush your teeth.

Christmas break is approximately 360 hours away. But in those 360 hours, you have to make three group presentations, write two research papers, take 5 exams and breed a heck of a lot of fruit flies.

Also in those 360 hours, you must purchase and distribute Christmas presents, send Christmas cards and spread holiday cheer to all you encounter.

Um, that's enough to cause one to lose one's mind.

Sanity. One must take sanity into consideration during this ridiculously busy time between Thanksgiving and Christmas vacation.

Perhaps I do things weirdly. Or maybe I just give bad advice. Either way, I find that the more I goof off, the happier I am. And the happier I am, the more I get accomplished. Well, okay-even if I don't get anything accomplished, I'm still happy. So pass or fail, it's all good.

Actually, when my life seems hectic and unmanageable, I take a little trip to the closest Wal-Mart. That place is crazy. And seeing all those frantic women pushing heavy-laden carts with screaming children. . whoa.

I get in my car relieved that all I have to worry about is an 8-page research paper.

I wonder if the stress of college life is what causes students to pour salt all over the cafeteria tables, smush it into powder, and write words in it.

Hey, if people start smearing around cashew nut loaf and mock mustard, will the cafe take that away, too? Just a thought.

Harmony is a junior public relations major from Louisiana.

The final fifteen

Heather Flynt

Last week I was told something that startled me. The people who hang out in Wright Hall and tabulate all of the hours each student has, told me they were going to give me a diploma at the end of next semester. They told me with only fifteen hours to go I would have fulfilled all of the requirements necessary to graduate in May. They told me they were kicking me out and sending me on my way

They told me it would be time for me to find a real job. They told me I would have to start waking up at 6 o'clock every morning, get dressed up in my little working woman suits and fight through traffic on my way to work. They told me I would have to get my own place and start paying bills. They told me I would have to start paying back my student loans too. They told me my diploma would bring about more responsibility. They told me I would have to prove myself to the professional world and show everyone that I was making something of myself. They told me I had to go out there and make them proud.

What? I'm just a kid. I have been in school for 16 years and now they are kicking me out? Being a student is what I do. It's all I have ever done, yet I am now faced with these huge life-altering decisions. Where am I going to live? What kind of a job am I going to have? And everyone keeps asking me, too. I hear it all of the time. "So, you're graduating in May. What are you going to do then?"

And do you know the worst part? There are so many things I want to do that I just don't know what to do. But when I stop spinning in circles, when I stop trying to take control of the situation, I can actually breath. I don't really need to worry about moving on to the next phase in my life. I am so lucky because I can have peace knowing that God already has it all worked out. He knows where I am supposed to be and what I am supposed to be doing. He has known since before I was even born, and here I am worrying about it.

I know that my final fifteen hours of undergraduate work will surely bring stress, as every semester does, and I know that I will certainly have challenges in the months to come after graduating, but I can also know it's going to be okay.

Heather is a senior mass communications major from Florida.

The morning after

Janelle Wasmer

Ever wonder if you are e only person in the world o has a rough time of it on e morning after a large mily holiday? I had a mdinger of one, and nd myself wondering if I s the "only one". I shared y morning experience th several friends, and ce they had finished ghing at me (thanks ys, I appreciate the sympthy), they started to ulge the details of THEIR orning-after-thanksgiving orror stories Suddenly, I sn't feeling so bad, and I und myself laughing at ir experiences as they d at mine.

Our respective mornings, en put together, made te the amusing chain of nts, so here goes Keep mind that this isn't one son's experience, but the nglomeration of everyng that went wrong in 4 s, in different states.

"I woke up the first time 5 27am to the sound of my oved kitty cat, Pearl, ghing up a hair ball. At foot of my bed. I got up, cw her out of the room, sed the door, and burred back under my cov."

"At 7:30, I became the lling victim of a converon being held by two ople (I love my relaes...) who were on differ floors. One of them anks, Mom) was outside door The conversation s something like this: hat's for breakfast? Is it d outside? Are the malls n yet? Who's in the shower? Have you seen my purse?" I got out of bed to ask her if she couldn't possible go downstairs to finish the dialog. As I opened the door, she looked at me and said, "Oh good, you're up. I was wondering if you wanted to go outside and rake the leaves" Let me think...it's 7:30; 20 degrees out (according to the response to her earlier question), and I have just been woken up by very loud talking. No, I do not want to go rake the leaves. I went back to bed."

"At 9:00, I was woken up by some sort of mariachi Christmas carols. Talk about annoying! Mariachi trumpets meet Hark the Herald Angels...almost as bad as rubbing Grape Nuts on a sunburn. So much for sleeping in."

"When I finally resigned myself to facing the day, I went into the bathroom fully intending to take a shower. That wasn't in the cards. All the hot water was already gone"

"I stumbled into the kitchen still in my pajamas and bed head, and decided to have some cereal. I had bought skim milk, and Lucky Charms. Yummy. My skim milk was gone, and the only thing left was 2%. I can't stand that stuff. No matter, I had also brought some ramen with me. 2 packages, in fact. I could eat that. Wrong again. Apparently someone else didn't like 2% milk either. The empty packages were in the trash I went back to bed.

"The phone rang. I was almost asleep. It rang again."

"I tried to read in bed. I had a really good book, and I was smack in the middle of it. Somehow, though, Mariachi Silent Night just doesn't go well with Tom Clancy's Rainbow Six. Of course, that's just my opinion. I went in the bathroom, turned the fan on, turned the shower on full blast, and, satisfied that I could not hear anything but fan and water, sat down on the floor over the heat vent, and I read for a good hour."

"By this time, it was almost time for lunch. Lunch was leftovers from yesterday. Gross As if we didn't get enough of that yesterday. ."

In thinking of all of this, I found it interesting that stuff like this annoys us. Maybe instead, we should be thankful that we have a bed, with warm covers, a cat, family, indoor plumbing, kitchens, telephones, stereos, books, heat vents, and so much food at one meal that you can still have more than your fill the day after.

Janelle is a senior computer science major from Tennessee. She is the co-science and co-technology editor of the Accent.

Voter responsibility

David Maples

Well, at long last, we have a certified President-elect of our great country . . . or do we?

Legal contests and nauseam may preempt the "official" confirmation of George Bush for another week or so.

Or, if some have their way, we might have to wait for the deadline of Florida's electoral certification.

Here's hoping that this fiasco ends as gracefully and seamlessly as possible.

If we have gained anything from this, we should realize that indeed, every vote IS important.

As a citizen, it is your civic duty and privilege to cast your ballot for whomever you choose, for whatever reason.

This election, especially if you happen to be a Floridian, illustrates how important a single vote out of nearly 100 million votes is.

That being said, there is another salient point to be gained.

For days, Democratic pundits have asserted that "every vote should be counted."

This strategy has been two-fold: to gain an advantage in the vote count, and to galvanize public opinion as to say "Some of your votes were ignored!"

The fact remains that every voter HAD an opportunity to cast a legible, coherent ballot. It is obvious that some failed in their attempt.

Here is my issue with this process of attempting to count "every" vote: Simply put, it is neither feasible, nor fair to the rest of the country to do so.

The canvassing boards of three predominantly Democratic counties were trying to discern "voter intent," which is an impossible task.

The question becomes "What is a LEGAL vote?"

As a voter, you have a responsibility to not only cast a vote, but to cast it properly, clearly and legibly.

Not only is that an implied responsibility, but such instructions appear on the ballot machine itself.

In fact, the instructions say "After voting, check your ballot card to be sure your voting selections are clearly and cleanly punched and there are no chips left hanging on the back of the card."

Should there be any question as to whether or not to count such ballots, given the fact that every voter had the same set of guidelines for casting their vote?

Anyone that has taken a college entrance exam knows full well that you cannot express or infer "intent" retroactively. The dots have to be colored fully and clearly. The same rules applied to the election in Palm Beach and Broward Counties.

Sadly, Gore and company have maintained that voter ignorance is indeed an excuse, as they, of course, benefit from it.

Clearly, the election process should never even have gotten to this juncture. Everyone has the right to vote. However, unless the voter has some responsibility and some sense of how to properly cast their ballot, not every vote should be counted.

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An American icon

Jennifer Wearner

Out of all the symbols that America holds dear, there is a major one missing. The polaroid camera. The "so-easy-any-idiot-can-do-it" camera. The instantaneous results. The simplicity of it all.

I think that Americans (myself included...this is not a sermon) have gotten so used to the fast lane that anything else is ridiculous in our eyes.

Drive-thrus, not restaurants. Microwaves, not crock pots. Emails, not letters. Honking horns. Faxes Pagers. Express checkout. Cell phones. One hour photo. Credit cards. Fidgety people. Sitting at stoplights then flooring it to the next redlight. Easy, snap together shelves and furniture to make things cheap and quick. Who cares about the quality of things anymore? Who cares about the quality of life anymore? signs flashing "new and improved," "faster service, lower prices," and 548 channels, just in case something better comes on in the 2 minutes of commercials that you can't sit through.

Even in our school systems, we have found a great way of creating cookie cutter kids And the ones who don't learn by this method are destined for failure, so the prophets say. It seems like there are so many faster and easier ways to do things, who cares if it's just a half-mast job?

It seems like the harder something is, the less people want to do it. It seems like if instant gratification is not an option, then what's the use?

Instant gratification.

When you use a polaroid camera, you know exactly what you are going to get. You snap a photo, then out comes the paper. The chemicals in it act and react and then the print sloooowly appears It's not that great of a picture but hey, you don't have to wait but 30 seconds.

That 30 seconds seems so long though.

This is why I think we should make the polaroid camera the new American symbol. It should be printed on all of our money (even though soon that too will be abolished because it's not very time efficient). It should be on signs and billboards everywhere as a reminder that no matter how fast we get our results, it still isn't fast enough.

We need to keep pushing and striving to find a better and faster way to do everything. No more lines.

No more waiting. No more useless conversation. We need to use all of our natural resources to make things come together faster and more easily. No more of this honest day's wage. No more waiting for a paycheck. No more being put on hold. Just push the button and out come the results. Better, faster, easier, now.

Now that's what life is all about.

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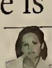
This one is for the girls



Amber Risinger

This is a dumb question, especially since it's being asked to a bunch of girls.

Here it is...Do you feel that you're not pretty enough?

Do you stand in front of the mirror saying to yourself "My legs are too fat," "My stomach isn't tight enough," "My complexion is horrible," or "My nose is too big"???

If you don't say that, do you say, "I am too skinny! I look like I've been sick for weeks"?

Yes, girls, even the "thin" people aren't content.

I don't know what it is, but girls just have this disease that makes us think that we aren't what we're supposed to be.

If every single girl had the same perfect body, perfect hair and perfect skin, what kind of variety would there be?

We'd have even more of those situations when the guy can't make up his mind about which girl he really wants, you or your best friend!

At least now we have the "hope" that he'll fall in love with one of our unique glitches. Ha!Ha!

What I'm saying is that yes, realistically we may not always be in the best shape but you don't have to look like one of those models to be loved.

That's why we want so badly to be beautiful, right? To be loved by someone?

Just remember that if someone requires you to look or change a certain way for their attention, they're the one with the problem.

The kind of love we want is the kind that doesn't notice what's wrong with us.

So, why waste energy trying to get or keep the attention of someone who doesn't see who you really are?

It takes special eyes to see a special person.

That love you don't have to fight for . . . it's the type you can't get rid of or forget.

Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia.

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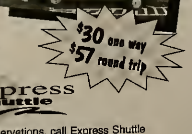

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Sports

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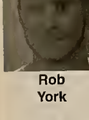
Isidro, York to battle on tennis court Thursday

By Sonja Bleu Lind
STAFF WRITER

Tennis competitors and old friends Rob York and Mike Isidro will play for position of tournament champion Thursday, December 7.

Isidro, a junior in Biology, said of York, "He's one of the best players on campus and he should be taken seriously."

York, a junior in Mass Communications and the defending champion, returned the compliment: "Mike's a good guy. I have a lot of respect for him as a person and as a player."



Rob York

Both men have played together, as doubles partners during the 1999-2000 school year. Isidro said of the matching, "Rob helped me raise my level of game tremendously last year."

York added, "As doubles partners, we worked as a cohesive unit. We were unstoppable. We left a trail of broken strings and broken wills of opponents."

The two students met each other two years ago, as freshmen at Southern Adventist University. They became friends through their mutual love of tennis.

York, who won the tennis tournament last year against Brian Snider, did not have the chance to play Isidro until this year. Isidro beat Snider this year.

Discussing York's strengths, Isidro explained, "He's omnipresent. It's really hard to get past him."

There is a debate over who might win.

"Well, I'm just going to go in and compete. I'll play my best, but I'm just there to have fun," answered Isidro, "I don't have that fear of playing because Rob's a friend of mine. I think of it as a Sunday afternoon game. It doesn't matter."

Mike Isidro

Yet York answered, "Just because I respect him as a person doesn't mean I don't want to crush him like a bug. I cannot be defeated."

York, who has not lost yet, "at least not when it counted," continued, "I have reason to believe I'll win. I am defending champion. I play to win every time."

"This is a long-anticipated game," added Isidro, "and it should be really exciting to watch."

Isidro and York will play on Thursday night at 7 p.m. in the outdoor courts.

Revenge sweet as No. 7 Georgia routs No. 5 Rutgers

By Brynn Kaczmarek
THE DAILY TARGUM

ORLANDO, Fla.(U-WIRE) – The greatest highlight of the C. Vivian Stringer era came last spring, when the Scarlet Knights defeated the Georgia Lady Bulldogs 59-51 to take the NCAA West Regional Championship and advance to the Final Four.

One of the low points of her Rutgers career came Sunday night, as those same No. 7 Lady Bulldogs (5-2) blew out No. 5 Rutgers 82-53.

There was a swing of 37 points between those two games, and the reason was simple. Georgia was able to reverse its fortunes by giving Rutgers (3-1) a taste of its own medicine - the Bulldogs played amazing defense.

While the stat sheet was extremely one-sided, it was the defensive intensity that was the difference. Georgia pressed RU successfully, and its combination of zone defenses forced 25 turnovers, including six from Rutgers point guard Tasha Pointer.

"I thought our kids did the kind of things we wanted," said Georgia coach Andy Landers. "They did a really good job defensively."

Offensively, Rutgers had an awful game. Without the likes of the of the recently departed Usha Gilmore or Shawnetta Stewart, the offense was only able to put up 15 points in the first half. RU shot 20 percent (6-for-30) in the first half, and just 28 3 percent for the game. Leading the way were Karlifa Washington and Davalyn Cunningham with 11 points each, but Washington was 3-for-15 and Cunningham 5-for-12. Add in the 24 personal fouls and this bout was sure to be a TKO for the Georgia defense.

"We were not in control offensively or defensively," said Stringer. "We seemed a bit slow all night."

Adding to the irony was the fact that RU played some of its worst defense in recent memory. A team known nationally for its stymieing zones and confusing looks, Rutgers was simply unable to keep up with the lateral passes Georgia threw at them.

Each time Georgia s[...] ed to move the ball, g[...] things seemed to hap[...] Whether it was Miller [...] points) nailing a jumper [...] the corner, or an easy la[...] by Tawana McDonald [...] points) inside, the Lady B[...] dogs were able to have [...] way on offense. Geor[...] would shoot 50 percent [...] the game and a very im[...] sive 65.4 percent in the [...] ond half.

"We set the tone d[...] sively and executed [...] offense," said Miller "[...] knew we could take the[...]

The Lady Bulldogs [...] take them, and they di[...] handily. It might be a [...] consolation, but Georgia [...] a bit of revenge by bea[...] Rutgers at its own game.

Florida wins SEC crown in sweet victory

By Dabi Jones
INDEPENDENT FLORIDA ALLIGATOR

ATLANTA (U-WIRE)— A flurry of small, white packets fluttered down from the sky of the Georgia Dome into the outstretched arms of Florida Gator fans on Saturday night.

Standing in the front rows at the Southeastern Conference Championship game, the fans caught the packets and waved the bags of sugar, celebrating the UF football team's win against Auburn.

The players donned SEC Champion hats as they held a cardboard SEC-logo sign above their heads celebrating their first conference title since 1996 and a berth in the Sugar Bowl to face Miami in New Orleans on Jan. 2.

"It was something that I saw a lot of guys doing in the past when winning the SEC and national titles," UF junior Alex Brown said. "In the years I've been here, we haven't been able to do that. It's a great feeling to know we did that. It's like nothing I have ever felt in my life. It's a feeling that no one can ever take away from me. I'll look in the record books and see the University of Florida won the 2000 SEC Championship."

While it may have been the first conference title in three years, it was another first for UF coach Steve Spurrier.

"I told the guys, 'This is a game you can carry me off the field,'" Spurrier said. "This is the only one, none of the regular season games. This one or the National Championship game. It was nice to be carried off the field again."

Gator fans stayed long after the game chanting "SEC, SEC." Many waited to watch their team celebrate and reached out to the players in hopes of a high-five or hug.

They were not the only ones who wanted to capture the moment.

Buck Gurley sported a video camera, and Erik Strange took snapshots of Jesse Palmer and Todd Johnson, while a group including Kennard Ellis and Ran Carthon danced on midfield.

"I can't dance, so I was not down there," sophomore Lito Sheppard said. "It was a great feeling to see the guys celebrate."

The celebration did not last long before the players were asked to look beyond the victory. Wearing newly created white SEC Champions T-shirts, the questions were posed about the assurance of the bowl berth.

The official announcement did not come until Sunday, but the Gators were all but sure of their presence in the Sugar Bowl.

What they did not know was that they would be facing Miami, a team looking for a share of the National Championship and a claim for the top team in the state.

"I think it adds a little bit more now," Spurrier said. "It adds a little more excitement to us and to Miami, the fans of South Florida. It's going to add a little more emotional interest to the game."

The sugar packets in the stands would be enough to describe the feeling of attending a Bowl Championship Series game at the beginning of the new year.

Linebacker Travis Carroll said, "It feels sweet as sugar, no pun intended."

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Julie Oetman
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Mississippi to face West Virginia in Music City Bowl

By Joey Vaughan
DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN

OXFORD, Miss. (U-WIRE)—Speculation about Ole Miss' bowl fate ended Sunday afternoon when university and bowl officials annouoced that the Rebels will play in the Music City Bowl in Nashville on Dec. 28.

West Virginia (6-5) of the Big East will be Ole Miss' opponent for the 3 p.m. game that will be televised nationally by ESPN.

Don Nehlen, West Virginia's coach for the last 21 years, will retire after the game.

"This is an exciting situation for us," said Scott Ramsey, executive director for the Music City Bowl. "The Mountaineers' final game for Coach Nehlen will be a special event and we hope all the fans will want to give Coach Nehlen a great send-off. Geographically, West Virginia's location to Nashville makes it an easy trip for those fans who might not otherwise consider a longer trip. As for Ole Miss, they have a great tradition and always travel well to Nashville when they've come here during the regular season."

"Nashville is a great city and both our players and our fans are eager to get there," Nehlen said. "A match-up with an SEC team like Ole Miss will be a challenge, but we are looking forward to it."

Ole Miss head coach David Cutcliffe thinks the Rebel following will enjoy the trip to Nashville.

"Having the opportunity to come to Nashville is great, not only for our players, but I know our fans and students will be excited about going to such a quality bowl and city," Cutcliffe said. "We are looking forward to playing an opponent like West Virginia. This matchup will be one of the most exciting of the bowl season."

Ole Miss students voiced both disappointment in not going to the Peach Bowl but are glad to have the Music City Bowl over the last two year's Independence Bowl.

"I think we should have gotten to go to the Peach Bowl instead of LSU," said Nicholas Hill, a senior pharmacy major from Yazoo City. "It's better than Shreveport."

Freshman Trey Lawson, a biology major from Olive Branch, was happy about the Rebels going to the Music City Bowl.

"I'm thrilled, it doesn't matter what bowl we're in as long as we win," Lawson said.

Belated recognition

I'd like to make an apology to Team Edmister for leaving them out of my Football Championship sports section. I would now like to name them the B-League champions. Congratulations, and once again, I'm sorry.

--Morgan Kochenower
Sports Editor

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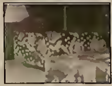
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THE NEWS

DUBLIN, Ireland — sident Clinton said Tues that the stakes are too at in Northern Ireland to he peace process sputter a halt. Soon after his val in Dublin, the presi t conferred with Irish me Minister Bertie ern about the uneasy e of play in Northern Ire d. "Nobody wants to go k to the troubles," Clin said. In advance of the , the White House yed down the prospect Clinton would be able broker steps that would d to a lasting peace.

ERUSALEM — Israeli diers fatally shot an ivist in Yasser Arafat's ah movement Tuesday. e killing outside the n's West Bank home me hours after Israel said would hunt those who ack its citizens. Even so, aeli Prime Minister Ehud rak said he hoped condi ns would soon be ripe for esumption of peace talks. rlier this week, Israel and e Palestinians resumed gh-level contacts to try to ell violence.

TOKYO — The Japanese overnment announced on esday that ousted Peru n President Alberto Fuji ori holds Japanese citizen hip, opening the way for m to remain indefinitely in s parents' native country. his also means Fujimori annot be extradited to Peru ecause Japanese law does ot permit deportation of its tionals Fujimori faxed his signation from Japan, oiding the political storm er a bribery scandal volving Peru's ex-spy ief. He could face criminal harges if he returns to eru.

MANILA, Philippines —On the fourth day of the enate impeachment trial of resident Joseph Estrada, rosecutors accused Estra of not reporting a bribe. rosecutors presented xcerpts Tuesday from a ws conference in which trada acknowledged hav g been offered a bribe of million. Public officials ho "maliciously" fail to port a crime such as ribery are subject to up to years in prison.

Nice, France—Coun ies like Poland, Hungary, e Czech Republic, Slove ia, Estonia and Cyprus ere happy as they were assured that the door to embership in the Euro ean Union will be open by 004

WEATHER

Thursday will be partly cloudy with a high of 52 and ows in the mid-30s

Friday will be mostly cloudy with a high in the mid-50s and a low of 40.

There is a chance for showers on Sabbath with a igh in the low-50s and a w of 40.

On Sunday there will be chance of scattered show ers with a high of 55 and a w in the high 30s

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Jennifer Weamer/Staff Photographer
Paul Yi, a resident assistant in Talge Hall, sits in his room surrounded by presents and other decorations at Talge's Open House Sunday night. The two residence halls alternate hosting the Open House every year.

University Drive to be widened at first of year

Wes Hall
Staff Writer

Students who enjoy riding their bicycles or just walking around campus will soon have more room when traveling along University Drive.

Plans for University Drive from the Apison Pike intersection down to Collegedale Academy include repaving, adding sidewalks where needed and widening the road to three lanes.

The section that will show the most change is in front of Spalding Elementary School where University Drive currently narrows to two lanes.

In an effort to add to student safety, the crosswalks at the Village Market and in front of the gymnasium will be elevated about four inches to make them more visible to motorists, said City Manager Bill Magoon.

"The safety of the students is important and we want to make the crossings visible to motorists," Magoon said.

In addition to sidewalks being added, the outside traffic lanes will be made extra wide to accommodate bicycle traffic. While these changes are needed, they closely tie in with the Collegedale Greenway project.

Planning for the Greenway included walking and biking paths to cover a large percent of Collegedale.

The additions in front of Southern will soon tie in with the Greenway allowing students to walk or bike from their dorm rooms to Wolftever Creek.

Magoon said that the preliminary business had been taken care of and it was now time for construction to begin. Highways Inc. was awarded the project after submitting the lowest bid for $960,000

The money will come from a combination of local and state funds and allow construction to begin in January.

In a similar project another construction firm is working on building a new bridge near Industrial Drive on Apison Pike. Both projects are slated to be finished in the summer of 2002.

Jennifer Weamer/Staff Photographer
Barriers are being constructed on both sides of Apison Pike near the entrance to Southern's campus.

Apison Pike will soon undergo construction

Rob York
Staff Writer

The bridge on Apison Pike in Collegedale is scheduled to undergo construction to replace two metal pipes.

According to Joe Farrow, City Engineer of Collegedale, two concrete culverts will be added beneath the bridge, replacing the older, decaying pipes and strengthening the bridge

The bridge will be widened as a result of this process.

Farrow said that while there will be some inconvenience to drivers while the process is being completed, a detour will not be necessary.

The contractor for this project is the JS Herron Company of Athens, Ga., and is expected to arrive any day now. The project is scheduled to finish in May of 2001.

Farrow also confirmed that the City of Collegedale will not have to pay the project's expected $286,000 bill, as it will be covered by Tennessee Department of Transportation.

Bietz responds to student concerns

Daniel Olson
Senior Staff Writer

President Gordon Bietz responded to students' questions and concerns about food service, student finance and campus housing during a town hall meeting at convocation last Thursday.

"I appreciated that there was so many questions," Bietz said. "[But] I was surprised food and cafeteria issues were raised so much."

Nathan Huber, sophomore character animation major, asked why the cafeteria does not have mustard or black pepper.

Bietz appeared stumped before replying that abstaining from those items is a "long historical Adventist tradition."

Another student said he practices a vegan diet – abstaining from all animal products – and he struggles to meet the food service minimum because of the lack of vegan food offered. The comment was greeted with mild applause from the audience of about 600.

The student said that black beans and rice are sometimes the only entrees available to vegan students.

"Black beans and rice are really good for you," Bietz said.

"[I wish the cafeteria would] stop putting cheese in everything," said Dioxi Martinez, junior wellness management major.

Bietz added that students can talk to Earl Evans, director of food service, if they have special dietary needs or requests

Other student concerns included:

- Student Finance

A couple students expressed dissatisfaction about the billing system used by student finance.

Bietz said he was aware of the difficulty in the financial aid area.

"We do not have the computer system to handle all the paperwork," Bietz said. "Our goal is to be more efficient . . . we may possibly have to hire more personnel."

- Off-campus housing

When questioned why Southern does not lower the age limit to live off-campus and alleviate the crowded housing problem, Bietz stressed that Southern has pride in its residential living environment.

"That is what we sell, and we don't want to change to a community campus," Bietz said, adding that a committee exists that will consider requests to live off campus

Bietz said three apartment buildings are being built in Southern Village, located across the street from the Collegedale church.

- Cafeteria employees working on Sabbath

Mike Bushey, freshman theology major, asked about students working in food service on Sabbath.

Justin Carris, sophomore general studies major, proposed that students volunteer for two Sabbaths a year so food service employees will not work on Sabbath.

Gordon Bietz

Bietz patiently listened to the comments but did not respond.

- Future wellness center

Martinez asked about a future wellness center to improve Southern's health awareness. Bietz said that Southern is raising money for a wellness center and that it is a high priority.

"Give me a check; we'll build it tomorrow," Bietz joked.

A group of 20 students gathered around and asked Bietz additional questions after the program.

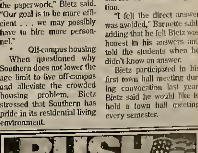
Students appreciated Bietz taking the time to listen to their concerns

"He actually listened," said Mike Lubben, sophomore business administration major. "He was straight to the point and was willing to help if possible."

Scott Barnette, junior theology major, liked the convocation, though he felt Bietz skirted the mustard question.

"I felt the direct answer was avoided," Barnette said, adding that he felt Bietz was honest in his answers and told the students when he didn't know an answer.

Bietz participated in his first town hall meeting during convocation last year. Bietz said he would like to hold a town hall meeting every semester.



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Brandon and Tabor Nudd sit in their room decked with political memorabilia for the holidays.

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Isidro wins tennis title Thursday

Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

Southern Adventist University student Mike Isidro defeated Rob York last Thursday evening in a tennis tournament.

Isidro, a Biology junior, won the first match 6-1 and the second match 6-3. York, a junior in Mass Communications, had been the previously undefeated champion.

"He was everywhere. His groundstrokes were good. But his serves were incredible and very hard to recover from," Isidro said of his opponent's skills.

"He just didn't miss any of my serves," York said. "He had the answer for everything."

"I felt like I played a consistent game," Isidro said.

Both opponents complimented each other's games.

"It was the best I've ever seen him play," York said.

"I don't remember him playing better than he did in the second match," Isidro said.

"I don't know how I could have played much better, actually," York said.

The two matches had been interrupted by a lights failure in the outdoor court.

"I was losing pretty badly before that happened," York said. "And after the lights had been fixed, he continued to play well and I didn't."

However, York did not want to blame the incident.

"I want to make sure all the credit goes to him."

There are no hard feelings between the two friends.

"A year ago, I would have been disappointed to lose, but this really isn't that important," York said. "We do this for fun."

Isidro was thankful to become new tournament champion.

"It was a friendly game and I'm happy I won," Isidro said.

Sonja Bleu Lind/Staff Photographer
Rob York and Mike Isidro duel with their tennis rackets following their match.

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Tuition increases for past 12 years

Year	Tuition	Room and Board
1990-91	$6,650	$2,864
1991-92	$7,100	$3,040
1992-93	$7,500	$3,200
1993-94	$7,988	$3,360
1994-95	$8,414	$3,496
1995-96	$8,800	$3,642
1996-97	$9,156	$3,782
1997-98	$9,476	$3,628
1998-99	$9,950	$3,678
1999-00	$10,300	$3,730
2000-01	$10,700	$3,886
2001-02	$11,250	$3,990

A conversation with ABC reporter Andrew Colton on the recount in Florida

Brad Joyce
Special to the Accent

What is the most important element for a network reporter on a story like the Florida recount?

Know the story thoroughly. On a story like this, I can't be doing ALL the interviews, I don't have access to both presidential candidates. So I need to be aware of every detail from hour to hour; I watch other networks, read newspapers, constantly read the wires, try to understand the story so I can deliver some depth when someone asks me questions. Also, find out what's happening on the scene, gather first hand observations. Remember, in TV news the bigger the story the more of a team effort to get on the air. For every network reporter there is a staff of 10-20 people helping gather facts, editing packages, and setting up cameras to go on the air.

How many ABC network people are here for this story?

I don't have an absolute number but probably about 50 or 60

How important is your producer on a story like this?

I am constantly working with my producer. My division is the "affiliate-feed," so I do stand ups and packages for ABC stations across the country. My producer's task is a combination of booking interviews and–most importantly–getting information from ABC affiliates who may have new information on the story. We have 5 producers on the scene for our division. My division is separate from Peter Jennings' World News Tonight.

The producer is also writer and reporter?

Yes! The Florida election story is like a history test you never studied for—suddenly you're in class taking a test that runs all day. For example, my producer will be researching the Supreme Court while I research the Electoral College. There is a great deal to learn on a story this big.

What is your daily routine like?

Well, I completed my scripts just before midnight thinking nothing could possibly happen before my wake up call at 2:00 a.m. But when I awoke the story had changed, there were new sound bites, new vote totals, new information, so I had to rewrite my scripts from scratch in order to make the 4:30 a.m. affiliate feed. Generally I finish my day at 2.00 p.m. when another crew takes over.

How long have you been a reporter?

Since college, about 8 years. I grew up near Philadelphia and started writing in high school for magazines and newspapers.

Where did you get y[our] first TV job?

At a small station [in] Ocean City, Maryland. Fr[om] there to Roanoke, th[en] Detroit, Miami, and [now] with ABC network. I atte[nd]ed four years at New Y[ork] University. I got lucky [with] some really good int[ern]ships. I also did radio [in] Washington and Dallas

How important is a [col]lege degree in landin[g a] job as a reporter?

Very important. Loo[king] back on it I think coll[ege] was the best choice I [ever] made. I needed a sprin[kling] of everything to be [a] reporter, all that a good [lib]eral arts school provid[es]. [A] reporter needs to un[der]stand the world aro[und] them and be intereste[d in] everything. Get the b[est] education you possi[bly] can.

Where do you go [from] here Andrew Colt[on?] What are your fu[ture] aspirations?

I truly enjoy what [I'm] doing right now . but as [any]one in TV will tell you [it's] always best to keep y[our] options open.

Editor's note: Brad Jo[yce] graduated from Souther[n in] May 2000. He is the prod[uc]er of a morning news sh[ow] in Tallahassee, Fl.

Andrew Colton is [a] reporter for ABC who [has] been covering the Flo[rida] recount.

Senate discusses cafeteria, safety issues

Cady Van Dolson
Editor in Chief

The cafeteria was among issues brought up at Tuesday night's student senate meeting.

Senator Gabriel Johnson talked to Earl Evans, director of food service, about allowing the cafeteria employees to have the day off on Sabbath.

"He basically said you can't shut the cafe down because a few people believe differently," Johnson said. "He asked them if they eat at the cafe on Sabbath and they said yes, which ended it right there."

Senator Heather Thielen mentioned that a constituent had suggested have sack lunches or potlucks at more churches in order to allow cafeteria workers the day off.

They are given other things to do and end up working more, Thielen said.

Salt shakers were removed from the dining hall and Senator Jimmy Carter asked Evans if he could provide seasoned salts.

"He said he'd go get some at the (Village Market) and put them on the decks," Carter said. "Either they've been taken or never put up. I think they've never been put out."

The senate mentioned various safety issues as well, including redoing the lines on Thatcher South's parking lots and adding more secure lighting on campus.

Senate update

Paul Myors
SA Executive Vice President

Senator Brook Naus raised the question at a recent Student Senate meeting that students who applied for a special parking permit have had problems in the past obtaining it when needed.

The permit allows dorm students to park in lots designated for commuter students because they leave directly after a class to go to and return from work.

Senator Naus stated that the form was unclear and left little room for explanation

Mr. Avant changed the form so that there is room for explanation, and allowed more spaces so that those who need the permits will be clearly evident.

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Students use Ritalin in place of caffeine

Ben Bain
Daily Illini

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-WIRE)—For the prepared, final exams mean the culmination of a semester of hard work and a few hours of review; for some, final exams mean all-nighters, tremendous stress and a time to play catch up – and possibly a few pills to help them stay awake and focused.

Neal Hellner, University of Illinois junior in LAS said he knows a few people who use stimulants like Ritalin, Aderol or Effrin to help them study.

"I know a few people that use them, and it throws them off for the rest of the week," Hellner said.

While Aderol and Ritalin are a great help to students with Attention Deficit Disorder and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder respectively, the two drugs are sometimes used by other students – students who have not been prescribed them. Recently, a good deal of attention has been given to the over-prescribing of these drugs, and the effect it is having [on] young people.

"If it weren't so rea[dily] available, students wou[ldn't] be getting their hands on [them,]" said Julie En, teaching a[ssis]tant for Community He[alth] 143, Drug Use and Abus[e.]

While amphetamines [and] other prescription d[rugs] might help students f[or a while,] [in] the long run, there m[ay] also be some long-term [neg]ative effects. Many amph[eta]mines are addictive, [and] eventually the body [will] need to get rest. While [the long] term effect of taking [these] drugs when not n[eeded] medically is question[able,] some students still tur[n to] them as they desperatel[y try] to stay awake and s[tudy.] Recent initiatives, inclu[ding] one spear-headed by Hi[llary] Clinton, have set ou[t to] study the over-prescri[bing] of drugs like Ritalin.

"It's not going to [help] them in the long run. [...] sleep's important," He[llner] said. "I think too many [peo]ple are probably diagn[osed] with ADD in the first p[lace] and people that don't [...] need it will tend to help [...] their friends."

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Bye-bye freebies

Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

It was good while it last- Children years from w will read in amazement ut the days when the ernet was first getting rted. Unlimited free ff, just waiting to be ked up by the greedy sses. Hopefully those o had opportunities to free things on the Inter- have done so, because t trend seems to be nging.

Dec. 10, Altavista.com ounced that it will dis- tinue providing its free P service to nearly three lion subscribers. art's BlueLight.com, o and NetZero are the y remaining "big players" the free ISP realm eady Kmart is consider- BlueLight's demise, ich will probably be etime after Christmas.

Free Internet service 't the only thing that may going the way of the rkled emu. Free music, e software, free shipping d even free computers m to be on their way out. e companies that have en giving things away are ding that it's just not rth it. They're now look- g for alternatives to "free" t will lure Web surfers to nt their proverbial rds in their sites' direc- ns.

Giving Internet users a ste" of something better one strategy being used. e person would then have pay to get the full options. mpanies that are selling ducts are more likely to e good offers for large rchases and no longer er free shipping for small rchases, for example.

While certain trends em to be occurring in e- ffic, the final outcome has to be decided. Leading ernet analysts are still her confused as to what rs want.

The great deals may be creasing in number, but ey will probably be ound for a while longer. e Internet population has own accustomed to free uff, and that probably n't change anytime soon. til then, click away.

If you would like to write for the technology section next semester or have story ideas, please email: technology-accent@southern.edu.

Webster: Looking for some PDAs?

Jason Belyeu
Staff Writer

You will find two types of PDAs here on campus. The PDA, public display of affection, is what the deans ask some of you out there to refrain from while spending time with your "special friend" in the dorm lobbies. From all of us out there who walk by PDA in the lobbies, thank you, deans, for trying your best to curb the situation. But this is supposed to be a technology article . . . .

The second type of PDA, personal digital assistant, is slowly making its way on the campus scene. Personal digital assistants are those little handheld computers made by Palm, Handspring and mainstream computer makers like Compaq and Hewlett Packard that your neighbor in class uses as a Gameboy when the professor's lectures get boring. Don't get the wrong idea about PDAs–they have more to offer than a good game of Solitaire.

Though PDAs might seem overpriced to some, their capabilities and usefulness in everyday life is worth the price. If you need any evidence, just listen to the personal testimonies of anyone you see using a PDA on campus, or better yet, ask Dr. Lake about his Palm Pilot when you have some time after Adventist Heritage.

This Webster column goes out to all of you who are considering purchasing a PDA for a friend or family member for Christmas or for those of you who cannot figure out which PDA to ask Santa to bring you. The following sites will help you evaluate which PDA is right for you or your loved one's needs, where to go to download programs for PDAs, and where to go to save a few bucks when trying to buy a PDA.

Where do I go to find out which PDA is right for me?

www.maximumpc.com/reviews/pda/index.html and www.pdabuyersguide.com

Both of these Web sites would be very beneficial to someone who is not very familiar with PDAs and needs to read reviews discussing the pros, cons and prices of the various models. The first Web site link by maximumpc.com is a little more in-depth then pdabuyersguide.com, and you can download many PDA programs off of maximumpc.com's site for free. However, pdabuyersguide.com offers many links to other Web sites that cover PDA models so you can expand your knowledge about a PDA you get interested in. Another advantage to pdabuyersguide.com is that it has a message board so you can ask questions and learn from those who already own a PDA that you're thinking about buying. Both Web sites have plenty of graphics, so you can get an idea of what the PDA looks like.

Where do I go to buy a PDA and save some bucks at the same time?

www.shopper.com

Well, you can find PDAs on any online auction site, but if you are interested in getting a new PDA and saving some money, www.shopper.com, which sends you to "CNET Shopper Online" is one of your better options. Once you have figured out which PDA you are going to buy, type in the URL, click on the link for PDAs, and a list will appear of all the possible models available at the lowest prices that CNET could find. Click the link for the model you are interested in purchasing, and you will get a list of online vendors with the price they are selling the model for, if free shipping is available and if the item is in stock. The best part about this site is that it has a three-star rating system that helps you evaluate which vendor to go with for customer service and satisfaction, and you can be put on an e-mail alert should there be a price drop for the PDA you want to buy.

If you want another site to help you sort through the best prices, try www.mysimon.com.

Where do I go to get programs for my PDA and learn about it once I have bought one?

www.pdastreet.com and http://greenapple.pda.tucows.com/index.html

Both of these sites can give you free downloads for various PDA programs, as well as keep you informed on all the latest news about your PDA. They both have so many features to explore that I will leave it to you to figure it all out.

Merry Christmas!

Professor to implant chip into body

Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

Just when you thought you'd heard, read and seen it all, a professor in the UK decides to implant a silicon computer chip into his body that will communicate with his brain.

Kevin Warwick, of the Cybernetics Department at the University of Reading in the United Kingdom, thinks that since computers will eventually be able to think, humans must maintain their edge by implanting chips that communicate with their brains.

The chip will be connected to a nerve in his left arm and will communicate with a computer. The chip will hopefully give Warwick the ability to "see" using sonar sensations (provided by the chip) much like some animals do. Warwick has already worked on several robots that use this technology.

If the experiment is successful, it will undoubtedly lead to more research by Warwick's team. Even his wife may also receive an implant that will explore how movement, thought and emotion can be transmitted from one person to another.

It will be interesting to see what becomes of this cutting-edge experiment.

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Student privacy invaded by Web blunder at U. Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Erik Ernst
Advance-Titan

OSHKOSH, Wis. (U-WIRE)– The Social Security numbers of more than 800 UW-Oshkosh scholarship winners were inadvertently posted on the Internet after UW-Oshkosh Foundation officials misinterpreted federal reporting requirements.

While the foundation isn't directly connected to the university, it's purpose is to raise money and aid the university and its programs.

The numbers were mistakenly included along with IRS forms, which must be filed by federal law, and were open to public consumption.

The numbers were listed on a Web site, www.guidestar.org, which contains a database of public documents available as public record.

The Web site's purpose is to provide information from non-profit and charitable organizations to aid users in researching the legitimacy of the organizations.

University officials had the numbers removed from the Web site and the University Foundation had to amend the IRS forms.

The Advance-Titan brought the list of 847 past and present students to the attention of the university administration.

Chancellor Richard Wells said he was glad the information was brought to his attention so the information could be removed from public access.

"I was very pleased with how quickly we were able to deal with this problem," Wells said. "We need to do anything we possibly can to protect the privacy of our students, faculty and staff."

Within a few hours of being notified, officials from the University Foundation had contacted the Guidestar Web site and had them removed.

Last year Oshkosh stopped using Social Security numbers as identifiers to comply with state law. Social Security numbers, if stolen and used fraudulently, can lead to misuse of such things as credit cards and can give someone access to other private records.

Wells said he was not sure whether or not the people whose information was revealed would be contacted about the situation. That question will be raised to the University Foundation board, which Wells is a member of, at its next meeting.

He said he was not sure what the University Foundation's responsibility was, besides having the numbers removed from the Web site and amending with the IRS forms.

"On behalf of the foundation and the University administration," Wells said, "we apologize wholeheartedly."

The advancement of new technology and the evolving concern about personal privacy have presented new situations uncommon in the past, Wells said.

"I don't think anyone was trying to do anything wrong in this situation," Wells said. "We all need to be aware that things that might not have seemed accessible in the past now are.

"We have to do whatever is humanly possible to protect peoples' privacy. It is something I have a real commitment to."

Wells said he doesn't believe there are any other incidents like this in other university departments or affiliates, but he will begin to stress the importance of watching for such things.

"(Incidents like this) remind us we need a priority to keep record-security at a forefront," Wells said.

"Record confidentiality is something I'll put a little more stress on now."

The numbers available on the Web included scholarship winners from 1997 and 1998, but Tom Grogan, special assistant to the chancellor, said numbers like those might have inadvertently been included in federal filings since 1991.

Grogan said all of these filings were in the process of being amended to exclude the Social Security numbers.

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Ken Areny and Aaron Haluska work on a computer at Information Systems.

A very techie Christmas

Keith Pulfer
Technology Editor

So you know a geek, who doesn't? And now Christmastime has rolled around and you're scratching your head wondering what you get someone who already has enough techno-toys to command a small army? MORE TOYS! Here are a few items that are (or should be) on any techie's wish list:

For the music lover, MP3 players are en vogue. With one of these, a person can make their own custom playlists that will play skipless CD quality sound for hours.

Handheld two-way radios seem to be popular as well.

Anything from ThinkGeek.com is sure to please (and many items aren't very expensive). Check out the "Despair" line of products.

If your geek friend person isn't very organized or is overly organized, a PDA could be the thing he or she needs to put it all in one place (see other article). If you're shopping for a movie-lover, the price of DVD players is dropping as more people buy them.

So there you have it, a list of foolproof ideas for your tan-deprived friend or relative. Of course many of these things are fairly expensive (especially for college students), so plan accordingly or find something cheaper! Happy Holidays.

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Features

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Christmas day in the morning

Colored lights
Sparkling tinsel
Carols in the snow
Presents and food
But
He saw a world
Dark, dreary
Empty, hungry
Its song disappeared
With broken promises
and awakened dreams.

Standing at the edge
Of eternal space
Time a cage
Omnipresence condensed
into a single cell.
Omnipotence a tiny help
less baby.
Omniscience knowing noth
ing but instincts-
He didn't have to be
taught to cry.
Falling through the void
to earth
At some time he
Captured in a human body
Could not go back.
From heavenly glory
To a cow shed
From Love, Light and Power
To—love but dark and (help
less)
Shepherds, not angels
a carpenter, not God
a mother who was
too young to hold the
Universe in her womb.

No different now
Except His brothers shiv
er in the cold
His sisters have no place
to go
and his children sit
"getting in the Christmas
spirit"
with
Colored lights
Sparkling tinsel
Carols in the snow
Presents and food.

Becky Gerrans

God brought Jud Lake to Southern

Delia Stoica
Staff Writer

It's lunchtime and Jud Lake is just breaking a sweat at Fit Zone. The husband and father of two loves to work out and firmly believes that exercise improves the quality of life.

At 42, Lake is professor of pastoral theology at Southern's School of Religion

He graduated from Southern in 1982 with a B.A. in Theology and served as assistant chaplain at the University for the next year

After marrying his wife, Lake attended Andrews University, where he earned a Master of Divinity.

From 1986 to 1995, he worked as a pastor in the Gulf States Conference, and for the next two years, he was pastor/chaplain/Bible teacher at Broadview Academy in Chicago.

Lake earned a Doctor of Ministry from Reform Theological Seminary and wrote his dissertation on time management in the ministry.

Lake is currently working toward his second doctoral degree, a Doctor of Theology, in practical theology from the University of South Africa.

Both at the office and at home, Lake can be found studying, not just for his degree but because he enjoys it. He also owns a telescope and likes to observe the universe.

Lake is an elder at Collegedale Church, of which he has been a member since moving to Collegedale in 1997.

Lake met his wife, Bonnie, while they were both students at Southern. In the fall of 1981, they went on a group Sabbath trip to the Smokies together.

"We talked all day long and sparks were flying everywhere," he said, smiling

However busy his life gets, Lake always makes time for his family.

He still takes his wife out on dates and has long talks with his daughter, Shelly, a 14-year-old freshman at Collegedale Academy.

Lake enjoys wrestling with his 12-year-old son, Joshua, who is home schooled. The family has a Toy Poodle named Lucky Buttons

"We all love Lucky Buttons," he said, grinning, "She's a genuine member of the family."

Dr. Lake is a vegetarian, and his favorite foods are the Mucho Grande with beans and bean burritos from Taco Bell and garlic bread.

Lake's primary goal in life is to bring glory to God in everything he does. He believes that God has helped him come to this point in his life and wants to help others know Christ better.

Lake's greatest accomplishment is knowing that he has been a godly influence on his students

"It's that positive feeling I get when I know that God has impacted students through my teaching," he said.

"By teaching here at Southern, I'm living a dream. About five years into pastoring, I sensed God calling me to teach, and Southern has been the ultimate fulfillment of that call. I find it a high honor and privilege to teach in the School of Religion at Southern Adventist University," Lake said

Cody Van Dolson/Staff Photographer
Jud Lake, religion professor, believes that God brought him to Southern to teach. He enjoys taking his wife out on dates and spending time with his two children.

Ask Sholly

Real answers for real questi

Dear Sholly:
My boyfriend is jealous when I hang out with my fri
Mike (his name has been changed). I tell him that we
only friends, and that I enjoy his companionship He tells
that he thinks I am in love with him and has forbidden m
see him. I told him no, and that he has to accept my frien
I don't hassle my boyfriend when he hangs out with
I have known Mike most of my life; he is like a brother
me. He spends time at my home and I at his; our parents
friends. How can I make him see that Mike and I are o
friends?
Friends Forever

Dear Friends Forever:
What you may need to do is to gradually introduce y
boyfriend in the circle of friends that you have that incl
Mike. Let him see you all in a social situation and let
understand the evolution of your friendship. When he
the family interactions he may understand why you two
just friends. It could be that as your boyfriend is ge
close to you, he may see Mike not necessarily as a threa
your relationship but to his relationship within your f
He may be wondering if he could fit in as well as Mike.
may feel insecure. Keep the line of communication o
between you and your boyfriend. I would not advise giv
up your friends, but you have to nurture your relationsh
you think this is important, and insure that your friends
not encroach on your time together. So I think good p
ning is essential. I'm praying for you. Good luck.
Sholly

Look for a new, expanded features section in the next issue.

If you are interested in writing features stories next semester, please email:

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Because Jesus wa born . . .

Because Jesus was bo
I no longer shall mou
He was a babe, but n
He's a King.
I have no gifts that are
worthy to bring,
But in my heart a song
do sing
Of the one I dearly lo
Who came from abov
You've taught me ev
thing, everything
There is to know of
hope, and charity.
You are always there
care.
So why should I des
You've taught me ne
to grumble,
But to be more humb
When things go wron
Just sing a song
For you've experience
all; all the
Mockery this earth
bring, but you alone
Won the victory.
Now Eternal Life is f
For you and for me
If He is born in you
Now! My heart You l
Because in me I want
to live.

Melita Perry

ASEANS have plans for year

Andrew Oey Kunteral
ASEANS Public Relations Director

The Association of Southeast Asian Nation Students (ASEANS) had their annual Christmas Party Blast last weekend.

Around 70 Southern Students gathered in the festively decorated Apison Church gym on Saturday night. The wonderful occasion included exotic Asian food and games and contests; which included a newspaper costume game led out by Pramot Limruenroj, an exciting "Gender-Wars" contest led out by Alvina Lim and Enoch Lee, and an entertaining lip-sync contest led out by Shayna Sanchez and Glenn Aguirre.

"This party was a tremendous success! This party was THE best club party I have ever attended here at SAU," said David Warden, Student Association President.

ASEANS also recently participated in a spiritual retreat at LaurelBrook Academy on November 17 and 18

Forty Southern students participated in the weekend, which was filled with activities such sermonettes, music, Asian food and hiking, as well as fellowship between Christian brothers and sisters.

"This retreat was what I had envisioned for the club. Not just a fun club, but a Christian community where we can grow spiritually," said Nicole Meyer, ASEANS president.

ASEANS does not just consist of students from Asian countries, but students from all over the world. "The ASEANS Club embodies not just the word love, but the action word love. Christian love can always be felt among ASEANS members and non-members. I love this club, and everyone in it," Warden said.

ASEANS' other activities have included a Welcome Back party, Whitewater rafting and outreach with FLAG Camp.

For more information or to join ASEANS, check out our Web site at http//aseans.southern.edu.

Commend & Condemn

Commend	Condemn
-cafeteria recycling cans,cardboard boxes, plastics, etc	-baked fries from cafe
-ethernet on campus so we can use Napster	-the annoying "on hold" message that you receive when waiting to call long distance
-good strawberry smoothies in the CK	-not getting credit for being late to vespers, worship or assembly
-open house at Talge	-using classic songs for background music in commercials
-pink flamingos in the Accent office	-sluggish internet connections at peak times
-short lines for book sellback at the Campus Shop	
-the Christmas lights on Dean Magers' house	

Local events for the week of 12.14-12.21

Thursday 12.14
8 p.m. Open mic night with special guest Jason Sharp
New City Cafe
Knoxville, TN
(423.544.0100)

8 p.m. "The Baddest Angel Band & a Metropolis Christmas,"
Backstage Dinner Theater
3264 Brainerd Rd.
629.1565

7 p.m. ($14 tickets)
Grinnich Village Christmas (holiday comedy)
Chatt Choo-Choo
1400 Market St.

Friday 12.15
Last day to view "Violence and Grace" paintings by Edward Knippers
Mon-Fri, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Urban Art Institute
412 Market St.
265-6389

Saturday 12.16
10 p.m. ($5) Mandorico, Latin, Salsa & Ska
Rhythm & Brews

8 p.m. DNE (gospel)
New City Cafe
Knoxville, TN
(423.544.0100)

9:30 a m. Nature Walk to Laurel-Pocket Wilderness (led by local naturalist)
Tennessee Wildlife Center
400 Garden Rd.

Sunday 12.17

2.30 p.m. & 6 p.m. ($7)
"The Bad Children"
Chattanooga Theatre Center (youth theatre) based on folk tale "Hansel & Gretel"
Seasonal Spirituals
Chattanooga Choral Society for the Preservation of African American song (free concert)
Downtown Library
1001 Broad St.

6 p.m. Drum Circle (formerly in Coolidge Park) is now meeting at the Emporium in St. Elmo, TN

Monday 12.18
8 p m. Poetry Monday
UTC's University Center (rm212)
642A E. Fifth St.
Featured readers and open mike

Art Exibit
Artwork by people living with AIDS as part of 13th annual World AIDS Day events. Exhibit through Dec. 31, viewing hours vary; call 265.9064
Unitarian Universalist
3224 Navajo Dr.

Thursday 12.21
10 p m. ($7 cover)
Tyrone Smith Revue
Rhythm & Brews
221 Market St.

All in a day's work--students on the jo

Cody Van Dolson/Staff Photogr
Julisa Ross, junior English major, works grading papers for Doug Tilstra in the School of Religion.

The Southern Accent

FaithXpress

Thursday, December 14, 2000

he most expensive hristmas lights

Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

very Christmas season le I was growing up, my n would take me to see most expensive and ndiose Christmas lights re was this one really man who decorated his derosa with more lights, rs, Santa sleds, and mov- elves than the North We would walk around gawk and gaze for a e, then leave feeling full he excitement and spirit hristmas.

Then Christmas Eve e, my family and I would together at Grandma's se. We ate and talked watched football or ething. I always would and sneak into the spe- room with all the pre- s under the pretty tree. I d to shake the boxes to s what was in them for

ast year, on Christmas a few friends and I were South America. I don't ember what we ate, I k it was rice and beans bananas. We didn't get ive any expensive gifts. didn't have any electric ets to plug in pretty s. And for the first time I felt the true excite- t and Spirit of Christ- I was experiencing the ant-savior Spirit of s, who left his distant ntry for the mission of Judea.

he most expensive ts you can see this sea- are not the ones on big ses or fancy trees. They lights that are plugged in he self-sacrifice of Jesus character of holiness mercy is what God thinks is truly valuable.

When Jesus came to earth, crowds flocked to see Him. Multitudes raved to hear his melody of grace. Thousands were dazzled with the Light of His glory. But the Bible says, "there was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appear- ance, nothing to attract us to him" (Isaiah 53.2). It was Jesus' character of love that drew people to Himself.

This Christmas, "Don't be concerned about the out- ward beauty that depends on fancy hairstyles, expen- sive jewelry, or beautiful clothes. You should be known for the beauty that comes from within, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is so precious to God" (1 Pet 3:3,4).

It's not the fancy, com- mercialized externals that give the "reason for the sea- son." Deeds of service, sub- missive spirits, gentle words and godly characters are the true lights of Christmas. The thousands of red and green lights used for trees and houses this year will cost a fortune. But the most expensive Light you can have has already been paid for. Which lights are you using?

Lifestyles of the poor and studious

Billy Gager
Faith XPress Editor

Louis Licht/Staff Photographer

This student spends an afternoon studying in the library.

Studious Steve settled in his dorm room for a warm winter's evening of home- work. He had a speech to write, biology reading, and a test to prepare for, and evening prayer time with God. After working for an hour and a half on his speech, he reviewed his notes for the test and began his Biology.

But before Steve realized it, his eyes were waving goodbye to meiosis and mitosis. Then, jerking his head up and concentrating harder, he determined to fin- ish the page and then go to bed. Again his eyes began to wave. An hour later studious Steve woke up to a pool of drool and a headache. He decided to leave that same paragraph for tomorrow and go to bed.

Rushing to class the next morning (because he slept in), studious Steve prayed to God, "umm . . . God, please help me to survive the pain of this day. I have a test, a speech, and (oh, what was that other thing, ughh) I hope you can handle it. Amen."

That evening, Steve set- tled again into his warm win- ter's evening of homework. And again the next night, and the next, and so on. Steve never exercised (except for that run to class - which doesn't count), felt guilty about his devotional life, and rarely spent time with his friends.

Now, life was different for Party Pam across South- ern's lawn from Talge. She went to the gym when Steve was in his room. After exer- cising she went to Panera's and talked with her girl friends. When she got back to the dorm, she did begin to study, but a certain young man called her and kept her up until 1:00 in the morning.

The next morning Party Pam ran to class (because she slept in), and prayed to God, "uhh . . . God, please help me to survive the pain of this day. My boyfriend is depressed, I have two late assignments to turn in, and (oh, what was that other thing, ughh) I hope you can handle it. Amen."

After class that day, Party Pam went to the gym, and so on. She perpetuated an irre- sponsible lifestyle. Pam struggled in her classes, per- formed poorly in class, and felt guilty about her lack of spiritual growth.

Do you see yourself in either of these two pseudo- Southernites?

Many of us believe it is normal to sacrifice a bal- anced lifestyle for similar unhealthy extremes. On one hand, college life pushes us to study stone. On the other, it pushes us to party path. But we must remember that our habits now shape our character. And our character will stay with us long after we leave college, even into Heaven.

As we end this semester, I challenge you to re-evaluate what you are here for. Edu- cation is more than acade- mics; it is ultimately the shaping of our character into Christ's image. Education is more than fun and human relationships; it is learning to live a balanced lifestyle. Make a list of some resolu- tions to make in order to make next semester, and your eternity, a healthier, more balanced life. "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap" (Gal 6:7).

Believe in God and be satisfied

Everyone longs to give themselves completely to someone, to have a deep soul relationship with anoth- er, to be loved thoroughly and exclusively. But God, to the Christian says:

"Wait, not until you are satisfied, fulfilled, and con- tent with living, loved by Me alone, will you be ready to have an intensely personal and unique relationship with another."

"I love you, My child, and until you discover that only in Me is your satisfaction to be found, you will not be capable of the perfect human relationship that I have planned for you. I want you to stop planning, stop wishing, and allow Me to work out the most thrilling plan existing–one you can- not imagine. I want you to have the best. Please allow me to bring it to you. Keep looking to me expecting the greatest things. Keep learn- ing and listening to the things I tell you. You must wait."

"Don't be anxious and don't worry. Don't look around at what other have gotten or what I have given them. Don't look at the things and relationships you think you want. Just keep looking up to Me, and then you won't miss what I have for you."

"And then, when you are ready, I will surprise you with a love far more wonder- ful than you would ever dream. You see, until you are ready, and until the one I have for you is ready (I'm working right this minute to have you both ready at the same time), and until you are both satisfied exclusive- ly with Me and the life I've prepared for you, you won't be able to experience the perfect love."

"I want you to have this most wonderful love. I want you to see, in flesh, a picture of your relationship with Me. I want you to sincerely enjoy the everlasting, per- fect love I offer you in Myself. I love you complete- ly. Believe and be satisfied."

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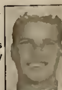
What's the BIGGEST thing you want God to do for you?

"I want God to give me bold- ness to tell other people about what they are missing out on if they don't know Him."
–Heather Meliti
sophomore, religious studies



"I want God to make me into a man willing to follow His voice, full of patience and purity."
–Chris Rollins
senior, theology

"I want God to help me raise enough money to go on a mis- sion trip to Cambodia this Christmas."
–Shannon Diamontopolis
sophomore, nursing

"I want God to change me from being so shy to having boldness and communication skills so I can be an effective pastor."
–Tim Meliti
sophomore, theology

"I want God to help me know Him better."

–Jennifer Goulet
freshman, psychology

Poll compiled by Billy Gager

Remember God

Rebecca Burlahkin
Guest Writer

Many people live in an ronment that makes it for them to forget God. There are things pulling in every direction. It's a tornado sucking us y. We get all caught up in lives and think there is time for God.

es, we can act like we religious, but we need it be real. We need to devel- a strong, close relation- with God to help us ough the hard times to me.

We can be busy with our , but we need to make a part of our lives. God s us to have fullness of . He gave us guidelines in Bible to follow. When we e God involved, we do jobs much better. We uldn't loose touch with him even though we have full schedules. It is impor- tant to make God a part of that schedule. He will help us do more than we ever could do alone. God gave us life, so He should be a part of it.

I believe that God is on His way I think that we should make sure that we are ready. We don't have to drop everything we are doing, but we should have God in everything we do. God wants us to continue being successful.

We should be real with God, ourselves and others. What people do is more of an influence than what they say. We can have a life that shows others that we know God personally.

Remember God.

Get thick with God

God's messengers must tarry long with Him, if they would have success in their work. The story is told of an old Lancashire woman who was listening to the reasons that her neighbors gave for their minister's success. They spoke of gifts, of his style of address, of his manners. 'Nay' said the old woman, 'I will tell you what it is. Your man is very thick with the Almighty.' "When men are as devoted as Elijah was and possess the faith that he had, God will reveal Himself as he did then. When men plead with the Lord as did Jacob, the results that were seen then will again be seen. Power will come from God in answer to the prayer of faith."

Ellen G. White
Gospel Workers page 255

Find your hiding place in the Lord

Dioxi Martinez
Staff Writer

The semester is almost over!

I have just secured the long sought after and prayed over ticket home. But before I flop myself in the coach section on the way to island paradise, I know things are going to get rough.

There is something about the last leg of the race that makes us anticipate the sigh of relief that Christmas break brings more intensely.

All of a sudden due dates jump out of the bushes, exams lurk at every corner, and that climb to another let- ter grade or two seems oh- so-steep.

Experience has shown me however that God is the perfect hiding place and refuge for any storm.

So I set out to make Psalm 91 my devotional meditation to remind me that hiding in God is my secret weapon to fighting the coming stress. To my surprise God had it in mind to teach me that He is like a raging flood.

I had opened my Bible to Psalm 91 when a vivid dream I had one stressful semester came to mind.

In my dream, my friend Mwelwa and I were talking as we walked down the promenade on a rainy day. Suddenly, we heard a loud noise behind us.

The next thing I knew we were struggling to keep our heads above the rushing water while clinging for dear life to a buoyant piece of Brock Hall!

Finally, we were rescued and taken to a building where I saw other students. Cold and wet, we were thankful to have survived.

As others prayed, I spent my time marveling over the walls of the building. The walls felt like solid concrete. I raved at how I couldn't even tell that there was a storm raging on the outside.

As my focus moved from reminiscing on my dream to the page that my Bible was opened to, I was pleased to find a neighboring psalm that summed up the whole experience. "The floods lift up their waves. The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many waters" (Psalm 93:3-4).

Pleased that my worship had maintained the theme of hiding in God throughout, I set out on my day deter- mined to hide at any threat of stress.

I made it through most of the day with a song in my heart, confident that I had grasped the gem of truth that I needed. But, late in the day, I found myself in a predicament so stressful that it had me feeling like I was pointlessly shouting to myself, "hide, hide," while staring down the mouth of a double barreled shotgun.

Why was it hard to hide? Wasn't hiding supposed to be my secret weapon against the overwhelming flood of stress?

Feeling left out in the cold, I flipped through my Bible begging God to make a verse reach out and slap me into my senses (all the while questioning the wisdom of my approach).

Frustrated, I stopped turning the pages and start- ed to voice my confusion to God. When I finally calmed down, I noticed that the text in front of me had all the words that I had seen in my morning devotion. "Refuge," "hiding place," "waters," "floods," and much more. I thought I had found the answer. Until I realized that the context was opposite of the metaphor I had meditat- ed on in the morning. Isaiah 28 describes Christ as a rag- ing storm that washes away our refuge of lies.

What is your hiding place?

EDITORIALS

Move the Christmas tree lighting back to Wright Hall

Last week Southern students gathered en masse, along with large numbers of Collegedale community families, on the lawn between Brock and J. Mabel Wood halls, awaiting the moment when the mammoth tree by the sidewalk would blaze with electrical glory. But those who live in the area may remember a time when the grand tree lighting ceremony was held in the center of campus on the Wright Hall lawn.

Mary Lou Rowe, student services administrative assistant, said the tree lighting ceremony originally centered around a huge tree cut down, brought to Wright Hall and decorated for the purpose. However, administration eventually decided to plant a tree in front of Wright Hall to prevent the wasteful practice of cutting down a new tree every year. Further problems occurred, however, as each year the tree grew more crooked until it was impossible to decorate, Rowe said. About five or six years ago the ceremony was moved to its current location, she said.

Some Southern students would like to see a return to the old location.

"I want the Christmas tree lighting moved back to the center of campus because that's the way I remember it," said Jonathan Sharp, a former area resident and current Southern student.

Having the Christmas tree lit in front of Wright Hall rather than the farthest end of campus would enable more residents of both dorms to have a festive view during the holidays and would be more central to both staff and students coming and going around campus.

The area in front of Wright Hall will likely undergo renovation in the next few years to accommodate the new statue and reflecting pond. This may offer a perfect opportunity to incorporate a new tree suitable for decorating during the holidays. The location would be more centralized and would even offer a little Christmas nostalgia for the more established residents of Collegedale.

Senators should communicate more with constituents

Last Thursday saw Gordon Bietz, the president of Southern Adventist University, hold a town-hall meeting with the student body.

Many issues were addressed, including the processing of financial aid requests, the five percent raise in tuition for next year, the price of food in the cafeteria, and the hours of operations of the cafeteria.

Though Dr. Bietz answered as many questions as he could, there is a limit of time at such town-hall meetings. Therefore, the Accent is calling for further action in the area of student policy matters

Though town-hall meetings are commendable, they cannot be held every month, much less every week. Rather, the Accent calls for this continuing discussion on student policy matters to be entertained in an existing forum—your Student Association Senate.

The Senate already meets twice a month (every other Tuesday in the Student Center's Seminar Room) and its meetings specifically focus on student concerns and interests.

Therefore, there should be no problem whatsoever for your Senators to discuss and address such issues that affect student life.

Also, all Senate meetings are open to the student body, so there's nothing stopping you from attending these meetings and seeing your Senator in action.

However, there are certain concerns surrounding members of the Senate.

Some actually have a concrete, working relationship with their constituents. The Accent commends them for their hard work.

It would bode well for their fellow Senators to follow their example.

Too many Senators seek to hold office just for resume purposes. Still others use their position to seek higher office while forgetting the real reason they are Senators.

Likewise, Senators need to realize that there are certain student issues that the university's administration is willing to facilitate and other student issues that are not even negotiable.

The university has certain standards and regulations that it will never change due to the fact that it prides itself as the most conservative collegiate educational institution within the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

Therefore, compromise on each and every issue discussed in Senate meetings will be enacted. Senators must look for the common ground of student issues and try to make progress on such issues.

Finally, the Senators must be more communicative with their constituents. Just posting the minutes of Senate meetings does not constitute constructive communication.

The Senate has the potential to effectively promote and defend the student issues on this campus. It remains to be seen if they will choose to take a lead or choose to remain inactive for the rest of the school year.

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Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

Thanks for doing a great job encouraging people to write for the Accent and improving the paper every issue.

I have a suggestion to help: Include by-lines after the editorials that are written about subjects like gun control or remodelling the Student Center.

Adding occasional faculty input on controversial subjects(abortion, politics, etc...) would also be interesting

There are several good reasons why the readers should know exactly who's writing the editorials:

1.)We get to know our peers and their opinions better.

2.)We start a little bit of healthy debate - something any University newspaper with thinking adult students should have. There's no debate if no one stands up having an opinion.

3.)Covering real issues and having writers shamelessly stating their opinions will give people something to discuss at the cafe table besides that the salt shakers are back.

4.)More students will read your paper.

I can't in good conscience call these ideas my own, I've just seen them work well at other colleges I've attended.

Thanks for your time,

Manny Bokich
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Editor's note: The Accent, after discussion with the editors on the editorial staff, decided to run unsigned editorials as they usually reflect the view of the majority of the editoral staff. Many professional newspapers run their editorials unsigned as to represent a group perspective. In an effort to become a more professional newspaper, we decided that this is the route we should take. Students and faculty may express their own opinions on the opinion page.

Eyes and ears

Causing absolutely no anarchy whatsoever

Sonja Bleu Lind
Staff Writer

Just this once I've decided to shut up. And I'm going to be nice about everything. Yes, this is my official, all-nice column. Hey, Christmas vacation is next week. Time for something nice.

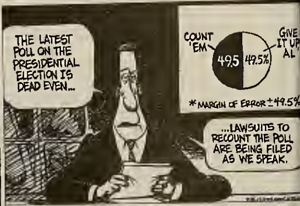
Ah, Open House. The boys clean their rooms so we can see what they look like every day. Hmm. If you really want to see what boys' rooms look like, ask these few words: "Can I fix ____'s computer?" (Eventually I will print the book "101 Ways to Get Into Talge")

Speaking of fixing, kudos to our president, Gordon Bietz. Last Thursday's convocation, i.e. Open Forum with Mr. Bietz, showed us just how much our president really wants to listen to us. Thanks for everything, Mr. President.

The Big Three. Jazzy and sexy and everything nice. So get on up, get on down and get yourself a CD. Show your appreciation for Southern.

As a first year student here, I appreciate one thing: the students. As I walk down the Promenade, people smile and nod and wink and say hello. It's oh, so very nice.

And finally, Christmas vacation. With sloppy doses of love and holiday cheer, it is very easy to imagine yourself under that mistletoe. Well, if I can offer any vacation advice, here it is: why wait for mistletoes or New Year's Eve? If you want to kiss someone, do it before it's too late. Don't try to find an excuse—just kiss.



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God sent a friend to me for help

've been attempting to e an article for the ent for the past three ks now. I've finally found flaw that has prevented from doing so.

hey say to write what know. I know nothing. I a high school graduate I've read enough books ll a small library, yet I know nothing–at least I w nothing important gh to write an article t. And yet here you are ing an article that I e. Obviously something ened that changed my pective. Here is the of what happened.

had returned from ves one Friday night to find answering machine king excitedly. It had y right to be enthusias- ince I hadn't received messages all week. I pretty happy about it

uddenly, I was no longer ser. I was important. I a person somebody ted to talk to. Immedi- y pictures of handsome and other intriguing viduals began to flit nd in my head.

rying not to let myself too carried away, I ed up the phone and d the numbers to listen y message. It was from I went to school with year. Instantly a huge inary eraser wiped all handsome faces out of ead and I slumped onto loor with a sigh.

ruth be told, I wasn't y in the mood to listen e woes of high school g and dorm life. But as would have it, my room- had gone home for the kend and compared to

Shelley Chamberlain

the prospect of sitting in my empty dorm room with nothing but Stitches (my teddy bear) and Mr. Plant for companionship, a constant monologue about dorm life and dating seemed to be the far lesser to the two evils.

I grabbed my phone card and flopped into my bed. A few moments later I was listening to the Harp play all those old hymns nobody knows and wishing my friend would hurry up and come take her phone call.

Right about the time a familiar chorus came on and I was starting to hum she answered. The quick greetings and traditional inquiries followed. And then she said it. The last possible thing I would have ever expected. "Shelley, I've been thinking. And how do I know it's not all a big hoax. I mean, the whole God thing."

WHOA! Sirens, bombs, every imaginable form of panic went off in my head. How do you answer that? More importantly, how do I answer that?

Maybe if I was a religion major I could spout of some cool little seromonette I picked up in one of my classes. But I'm just a communications major. I really doubt a lecture about the four freedoms of the first amendment or how television effects society would have helped her out right then.

But, what was I supposed to say? I didn't have a clue. And then it hit me. If anything, intelligent or otherwise, was going to come out of my mouth it was going to be by God's grace and God's grace alone.

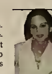
Suddenly, I started talking. Instinctively, my insides cringed at the prospects of what I could come up with and blurt out before I'd had a chance to think about it. Mentally, I began proofing the flood of words that were running out of my mouth. Soon an amazing realization begins to sink in. I was connecting. The things I was saying were helping her. Analogies and Bible verses I hadn't remembered two minutes ago came popping out in quick succession. By the time I hung up the phone we were both in tears.

I was the least qualified person to help her. Like I said at the beginning of this article, I know nothing. I am weak and stupid. I am poor and lost. And I am absolutely thrilled about it. Jesus said, "My grace is sufficient for you. My strength is made perfect in weakness." And as Paul said, "Therefore, most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

Yes, I know very few things that are really important. Yes, I have numerous areas in my life that need improvement. No, this is not a bad thing. I will boast in my infirmities. I will do this because the weaker I am, the stronger Christ can make me.

Shelley is a freshman mass communication major from Tennessee.

Forgiveness is wonderful



Amber Risinger

Only love can look past our selfish mistakes. Only love can speak kindly to someone mean. Only love can ignore physical imperfections. Only love can see hidden scars. Only love has the patience to persist into a resisting soul.

I love LOVE, don't you? (You've heard me say that before)

There are many kinds of love.

There is the brother/sister love, parent/child love, boyfriend/girlfriend love, and us/Jesus love. Life is great with love.

Love is sustaining and durable during bad times.

Those aren't pretty words, but those are the words that describe the love I found about a year ago. When you're not attractive inside or outside, that's an amazing love.

Have you ever had a really bad attitude problem? How did everyone around you respond?

Remember your worst day when you were in one of those moods where you didn't want anyone to touch you at all?

You didn't want your mom or even your best friend to try and find out what was wrong. You just wanted to be left alone.

The person that you're really angry with comes to talk to you. You won't look at him/her and you won't even acknowledge their presence at first.

Finally you get mad that they won't leave.

So, you turn to them and say the worst things mixed with the worst words.

Right away you feel horrible, but you stay strong for a period. Then you hold your breath expecting to engage in a long drawn out fight.

Instead you feel them kiss your forehead and leave the room.

Maybe it wasn't this particular graciousness they showed but something similar. Now you feel trapped and frustrated and regretful.

I've experienced something like this. Have you?

Afterward, I just think about how foolish I was and I realize how much that person must love me to have been so kind and patient.

I wondered why they even stay in my life. I felt like I was the most difficult person in the world.

After coming to this conclusion, I mustered up enough guts to face them again. Our eyes met and I said I'm sorry. We were engulfed in hugs and tears.

That's all we have to do to be forgiven when we're dealing with love.

Amber is a junior sociology major from Virginia. She is an Accent columnist.

Bad hair day

Susie Behm

When I was a little girl, I dreaded haircuts.

They upset my playtime. I hated having to get cleaned up for a trip to the hair salon.

What was the point anyway? When hair got too long all you had to do was put it in a ponytail. I loved ponytails. They were no nonsense. They took only five minutes to do and lasted all day.

Then I got older and my ideas changed. A hair salon was a place to go to be transformed. If only I had a cut like this or color like that, then my life would change.

I could bring in pictures of models and tell the stylist, "This is how I want to look."

A beauty salon is a great place to go for a haircut, but don't expect it to change your life.

A plain house mom with curly hair has no idea her hair can never be as straight and smooth as the product says. But she waits patiently until called.

A highschool cheerleader waits for a perm that will make her straight hair bounce. She hopes the new curls will catch the eye of the quarterback.

People have different expectations when they get haircuts.

An old lady comes in for her weekly set. This ritual must be a habit by now, something routine in her day she can count on.

She sits in the chair while her hair is being rolled to exact proportion.

The rows look like tombstones in an Arlington cemetery. Perfect symmetrical lines. If one is crooked, it must be fixed. She worries her hair will look different if the rollers are not exact.

But the style is always the same, crooked roller or not. It's predictable.

A little girl walks in with her father and seems to take no notice of her surroundings.

She dances and plays in the waiting area. She is not frantic. She is not fussy about how her hair will be cut.

When her turn comes, she sits quietly, smiling to her father across the room.

I think secretly he hopes this new haircut will make her look more like a little girl.

I notice grass stains on her knees and scrapes on her elbows. She must be a tomboy.

Perhaps her father hopes the haircut will change all that.

A mother and daughter, both with beautiful long black hair, sit in the waiting area. Their hair is so black and shiny it looks like tar.

I overhear the mother say they both want something drastic done. "Cut it all off," she tells the stylist.

So their hair is braided and cut.

Short.

They look at the finished style and hesitate for a moment, then smile, certain their new 'dos' have transformed them somehow.

To these people, a hair salon is a magical place, a place where they can go to re-invent themselves. If you want to look like a model, point to a picture of one in a magazine and say, "I want to look like that."

But this kind of beauty will fade.

Customers run in frantic because they just have to have their hair done today.

They have a job interview.

They have a date.

They just feel ugly.

If only they could be made over, any situation would be bearable.

But, you are who you are. No haircut, perm or color will change that. You are still the same person, no matter how drastic your makeover is. People might notice you more, but only on the surface.

It will fade away when your hair grows out, your perm stops curling, and your roots start showing.

When the old lady leaves, her hair will be set for another week, but she will still be old. She will still get wrinkles and still forget things.

When the dancing tomboy leaves, her hair will look like any other girl's, but she will still be a tomboy. She will still build forts and still get dirty.

When the mother and daughter leave, their hair will be shorter, but they will still be the same people. They will still have the same problems and still see the same faces in the mirror.

There's no magic in the chemicals to change who you are.

There are no magical scissors to transform you into a supermodel.

There is no magical salon where a haircut will change your life.

There is only a place to go to clean up, to get the hair out of your eyes.

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Covering the election in Tallahassee

Oh, that's a great book," Katherine Harris as she James Baker out of her e

he was dressed in what English call Tory Blue; a blue outfit with gold ons.

ormer Secretary of State er looked presidential, ost regal as he signed his biography for me, then old me he was due in in for a ceremony mark- he eleventh anniversary he fall of the Berlin Wall. George Bush had other for me," he said.

spoke to James Baker Katherine Harris before world press did. I out- ed everybody and even inced a US Congress- to an interview on my ing news show. Book- guests was easy the ing after the 2000 pres- ial election. Everyone talking that day, any- that moved was willing e interviewed.

nd for once the story to me. No chasing tight lipped sources. enly I was the source, the BBC, FOX, WB, and ABC kept calling– less in their pursuit.

hey wanted my help, wanted names and of all, "We want age...do you have any age?" No footage. So I them a source. Consti- onal law professor phen Gey, who has writ- for Liberty magazine. C hired him as an on-air sultant, my one tangible ect in the 'Florida count' story. I was now of the TV people of the rld.

Having just graduated thern in May 2000, and o body slammed into the gest news story ever told, my first observation was that TV people are the real story.

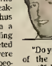
These were the folks who confronted their own weakness on election night, thus creating a story within a story. Their error: calling the election completed before all the votes were counted. Several top TV people apologized. In TV all mistakes are public.

During the Florida election chaos the majority of TV people were generous to me. I suspect they are flesh and blood after all–a portrait that undermines their image when seen on television. Even in my own newsroom TV people appear fragile since election night.

Two months before the presidential election a Tallahassee ABC television station hired me as producer of their morning newscast–a job that demands the substance of all my religion and journalism classes combined. Grace and accuracy the essence of a TV news producer.

Producers are a longsuffering group. They are first to be blamed and last to be praised. But they're a highly valued species when operating at full potential.

One example is network producer Eric Avram. During one late night court session he stepped in for an on-air "stand-up" because other reporters were unavailable. He's a power producer, able to identify the story better than anyone. Eric is sleep deprived with bewilderment etched in his face...his appearance reflects years of multi-tasking. He wears loose fitting black clothes, and Rockports. From a distance he looks like a secret agent with six arms.



Brad Joyce

"Do you have extra copies of the Secretary's statement?" I asked. He is amiable, juggling his schedule to accommodate me. He clutches a clipboard while punching a cell phone, then attempts to direct reporter Erin Hayes for an on-air stand-up while his assistant fuels him with data. I marvel at all the extra arms. I think of how many arms God must have to embrace us.

During the Florida recount story I also met Jack Ford, Kelly O'Donnell, Byron Pitts and David Boies...major TV people who appear fragile, even deficient, when off the air. They appear in need of something more tangible than celebrity.

Televison is magical, its players susceptible to the lure of video immortality. But since election night, TV people are vulnerable and in need of One greater than themselves.

Historians may look back at the "worst error" in television history and decide that the much criticized news media is flesh and blood after all. No right wing or left wing conspiracy, just human weakness–people made of the same metal as you and I.

Not a bad history lesson at the official dawn of the 21st Century.

Brad graduated from Southern in May 2000. He works as the morning news producer for the ABC affiliate in Tallahassee.

One day at a time

It all began with the pavement rushing toward my face.

Yep, I fell out of a truck. A moving vehicle. Right over the side, right in front of Thatcher South.

I suffered no fatal injuries. Just a gross, birthmark-looking bruise on my thigh. And as I laid on the pavement I thought to myself, "This week is going to suck."

I was right. My rendezvous with the concrete birthed a week full of projects and meetings and short tempers.

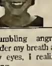
Every day, I kept telling myself that the weekend was getting closer. Just like how every week since Thanksgiving, I've been telling myself that Christmas break is getting closer. I feel like I'm always waiting for something. Waiting for break so I can relax. Waiting for Friday afternoon so I can goof off. Waiting to graduate so I can get a job and have a family and get old and wear dentures and supportive hose.

Hmmm. Supportive hose. Scratch that. I don't want to wear those.

Anyway, I was in Kinko's recently, waiting for the guy behind the counter to cut my copies into fourths. I was happily entertaining myself with free, long-distance, 5-minute limit calls and complimentary coffee. I called my mom. It was nice.

After about an hour, though, I got really impatient. The weird Kinko's guy was taking a ridiculous amount of time, and I really wanted to get back to school.

Somewhere between mumbling angry words under my breath and rolling my eyes, I realized something.



Harmony Tillerson

I'm tired of waiting.

I'm tired of being impatient. I'm tired of looking through binoculars at what lies ahead. I'm tired of missing out on life because I'm waiting for something. That big thing, that wonderful . . . something . . . that's just bound to happen any day now.

You know, like waiting for the day that THE GUY asks you out. The day THE GUY proposes. The day you get A's in all your classes. The day you bike all the way up that hill.

The day you say "I love you." The day you understand God. The day you realize what you want to do with the rest of your life. The day you feel complete.

I thought all of this while holding a Styrofoam cup of coffee in one hand and liquid paper in the other. The Kinko's guy telling me that he was finally done jolted me back to reality. So, after collecting my copies, I left.

And that's my story.

I don't want to live my life waiting for my dreams to come true. I just want to live my life day to day, knowing that God is taking care of things. My dreams will come true when they're meant to . . .

One day at a time.

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